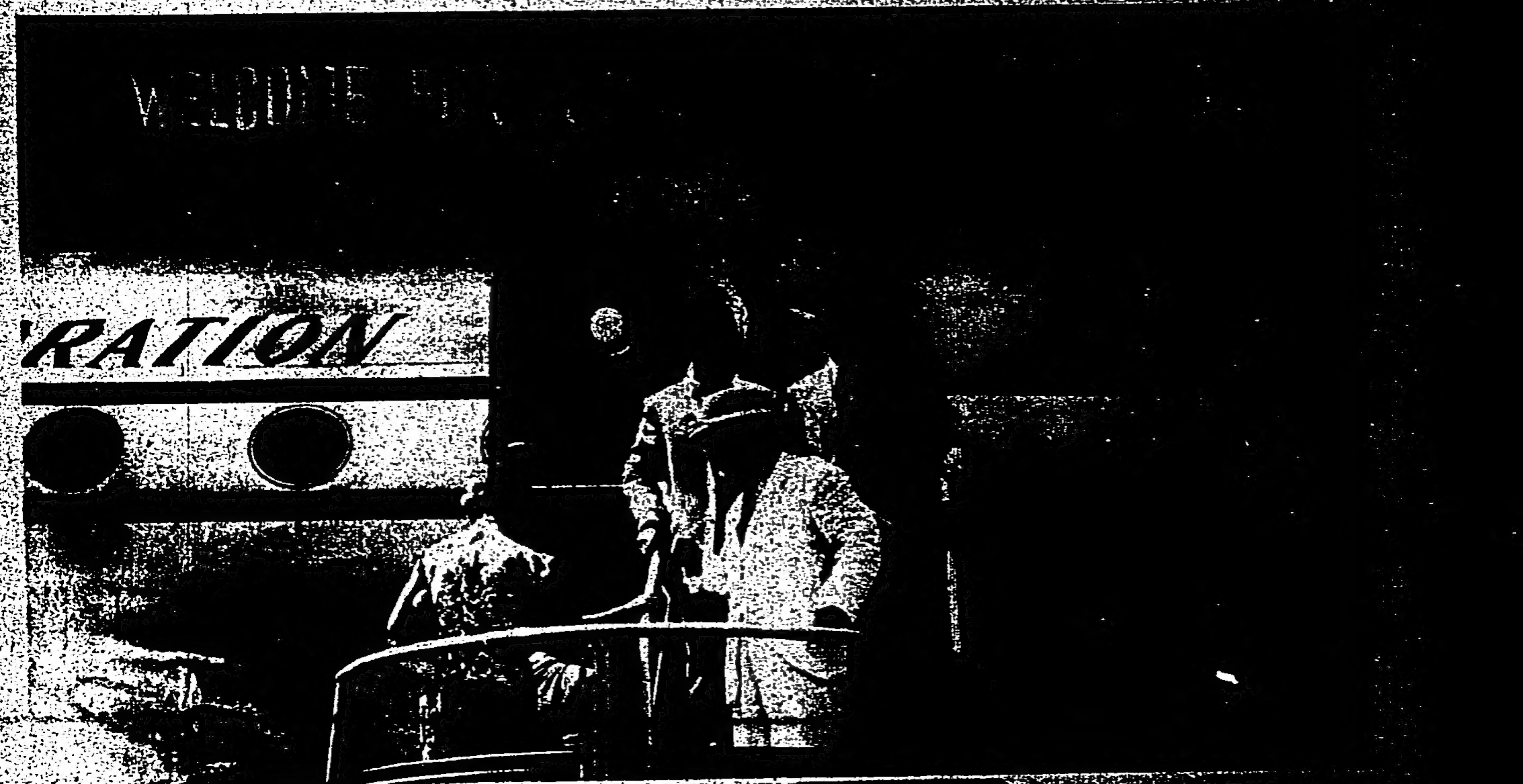
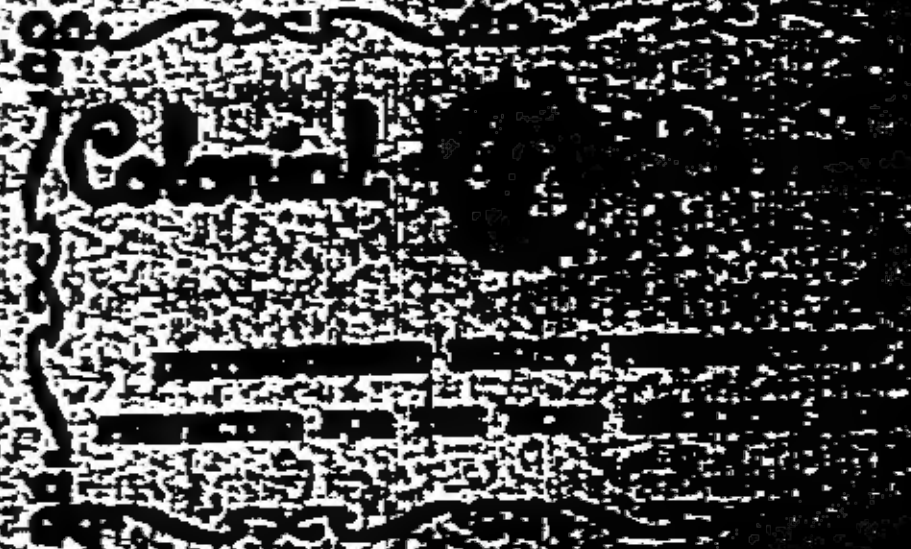


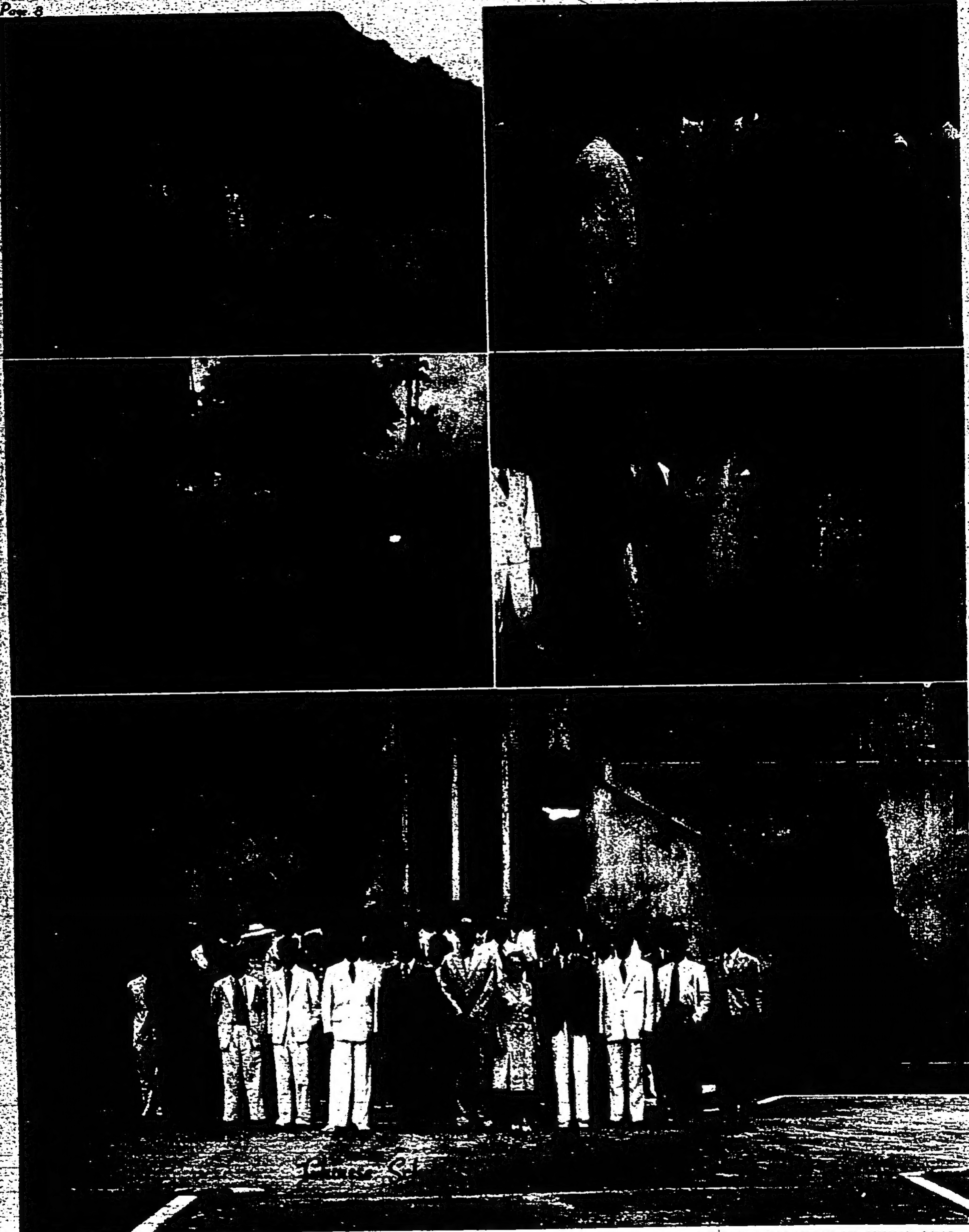
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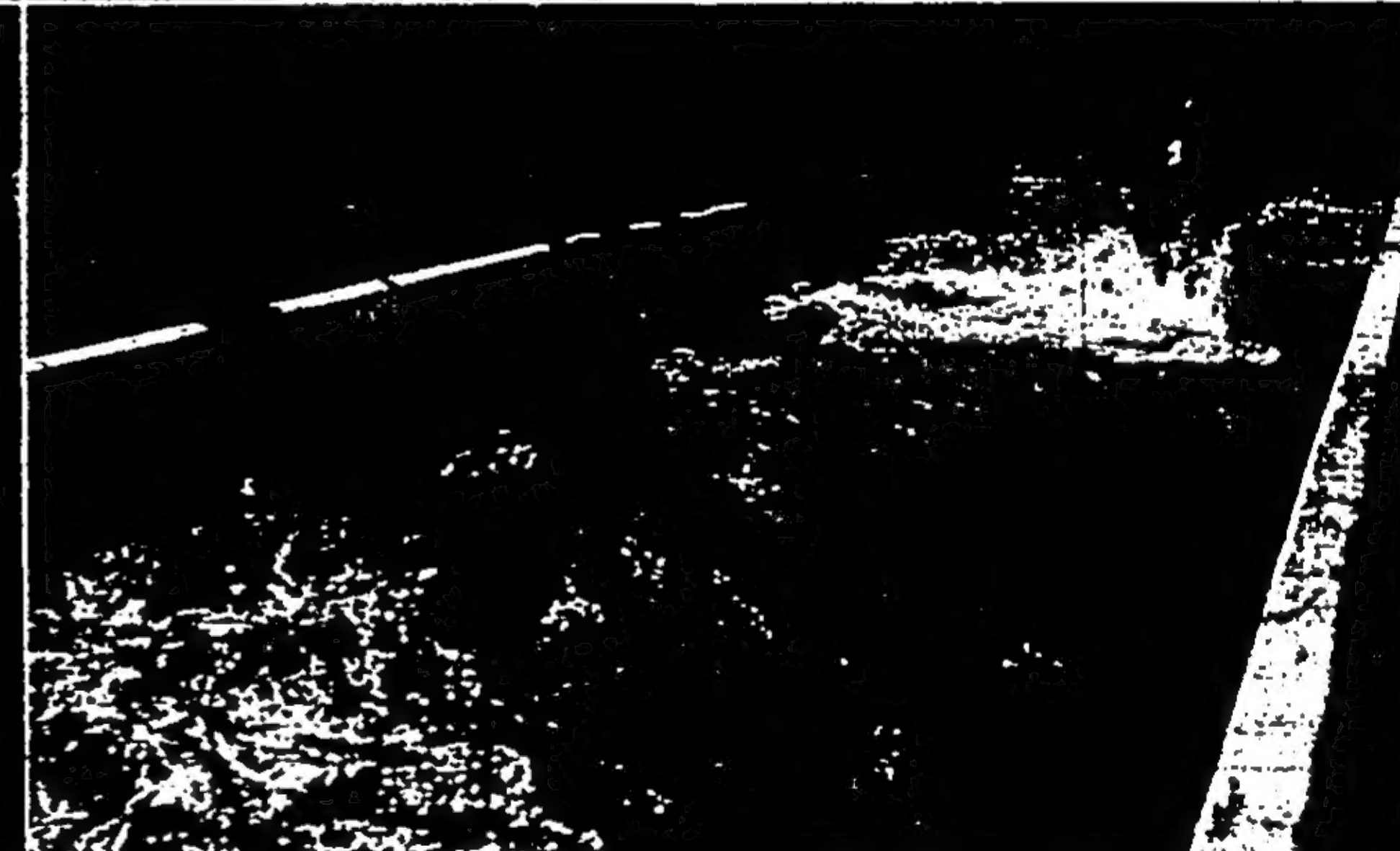
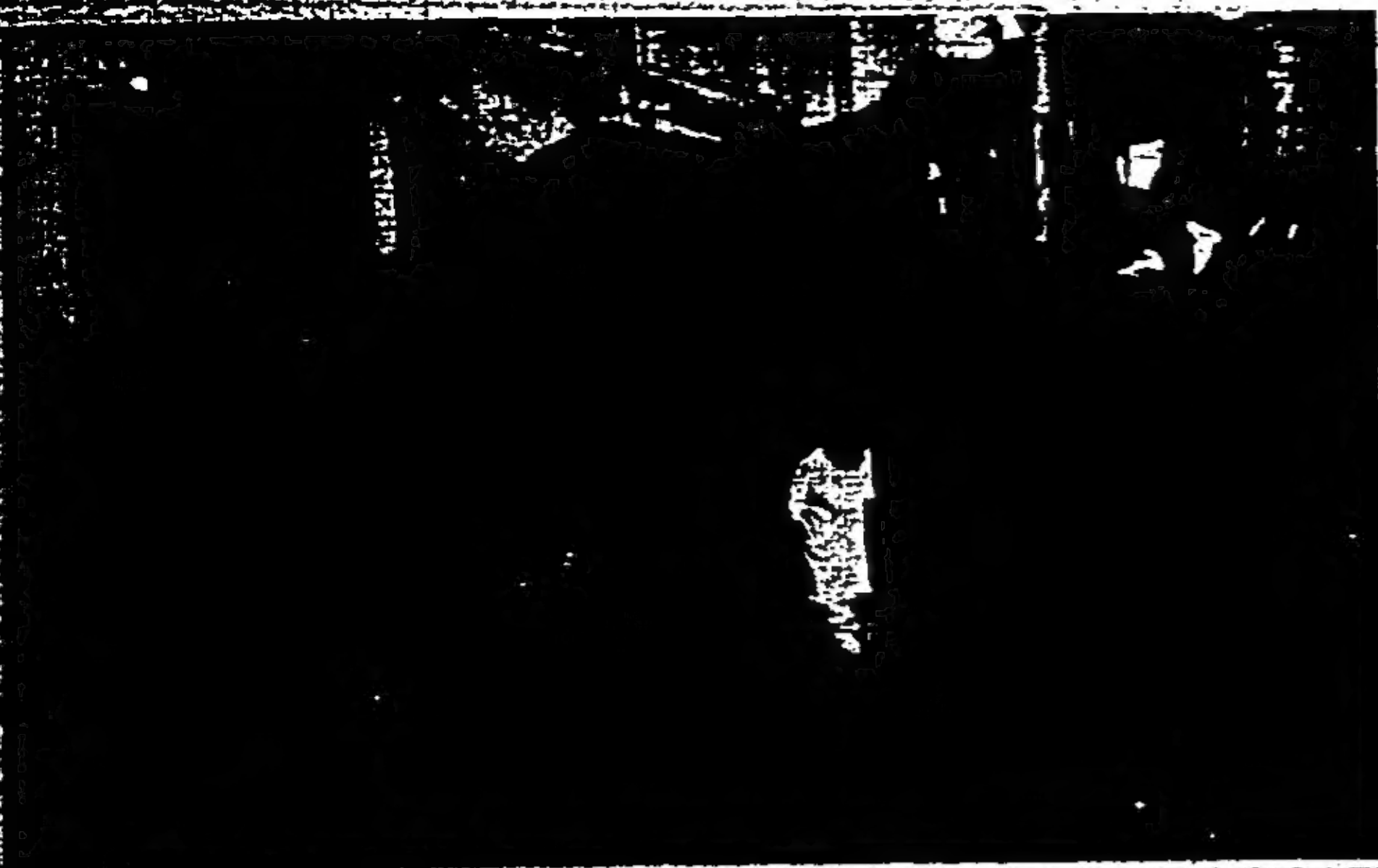
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DR. SUN FO, VICE PRESIDENT OF THE CHINESE REPUBLIC, ARRIVED IN THE COLONY FROM SHANGHAI ON WEDNESDAY ACCOMPANIED BY HIS WIFE AND FAMILY. PICTURES SHOW THE VICE-PRESIDENT STEPPING FROM HIS PLANE AT KAI TAK AND (AT BOTTOM) BEING WELCOMED WITH HIS WIFE ON ARRIVAL AT QUEEN'S PIER. DR. AND MADAM SUN FO AND THEIR FAMILY WERE THE GUESTS OF THE GOVERNOR AND LADY GRANTHAM, AT GOVERNMENT HOUSE. (Francis Wei)



LAST WEDNESDAY THE GOVERNOR AND LADY GRANTHAM ENTERTAINED TWENTY FIVE CHINESE SCHOLARS FROM CHINA'S LEADING UNIVERSITIES ON THEIR WAY TO BRITAIN. THEY ARE THE HOLDERS OF RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIPS GRANTED BY THE BRITISH COUNCIL AND THE SINO-BRITISH FOUNDATION AND WILL STUDY AT VARIOUS UNIVERSITIES IN THE UNITED KINGDOM. TWO OF THE RESEARCH SCHOLARS ARE WOMEN. AMONG THOSE PRESENT TO GREET THE DISTINGUISHED VISITORS WERE BISHOP HALL, MR. R. R. TODD (SECRETARY FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS) AND MR. T. R. ROWELL (DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION). THE CHINESE PARTY WILL CONTINUE THEIR JOURNEY ABOARD THE S.S. SCYTHIA. (Francis Wa)



A NEW BATCH OF AUSTRALIAN PONIES ARE IN TRAINING AT THE JOCKEY CLUB STABLES IN PREPARATION FOR THE NEW SEASON'S RACING. SOME OF THE NEWCOMERS SHOW FORM WHICH WILL CHALLENGE THE FAVOURITES OF LAST SEASON. OUR PICTURES GIVE A GLIMPSE OF THE NEW PONIES BEING EXERCISED AFTER THE MORNING WORK-OUT. THE GROUP IMMEDIATELY ABOVE SHOWS MR. ROBERTSON, THE CLUB'S VETERINARY SURGEON AND STABLE MANAGER, (ON THE RIGHT) WITH MR. WALKER AND THE JOCKEY CLUB TRAINERS. (Francis Wm)



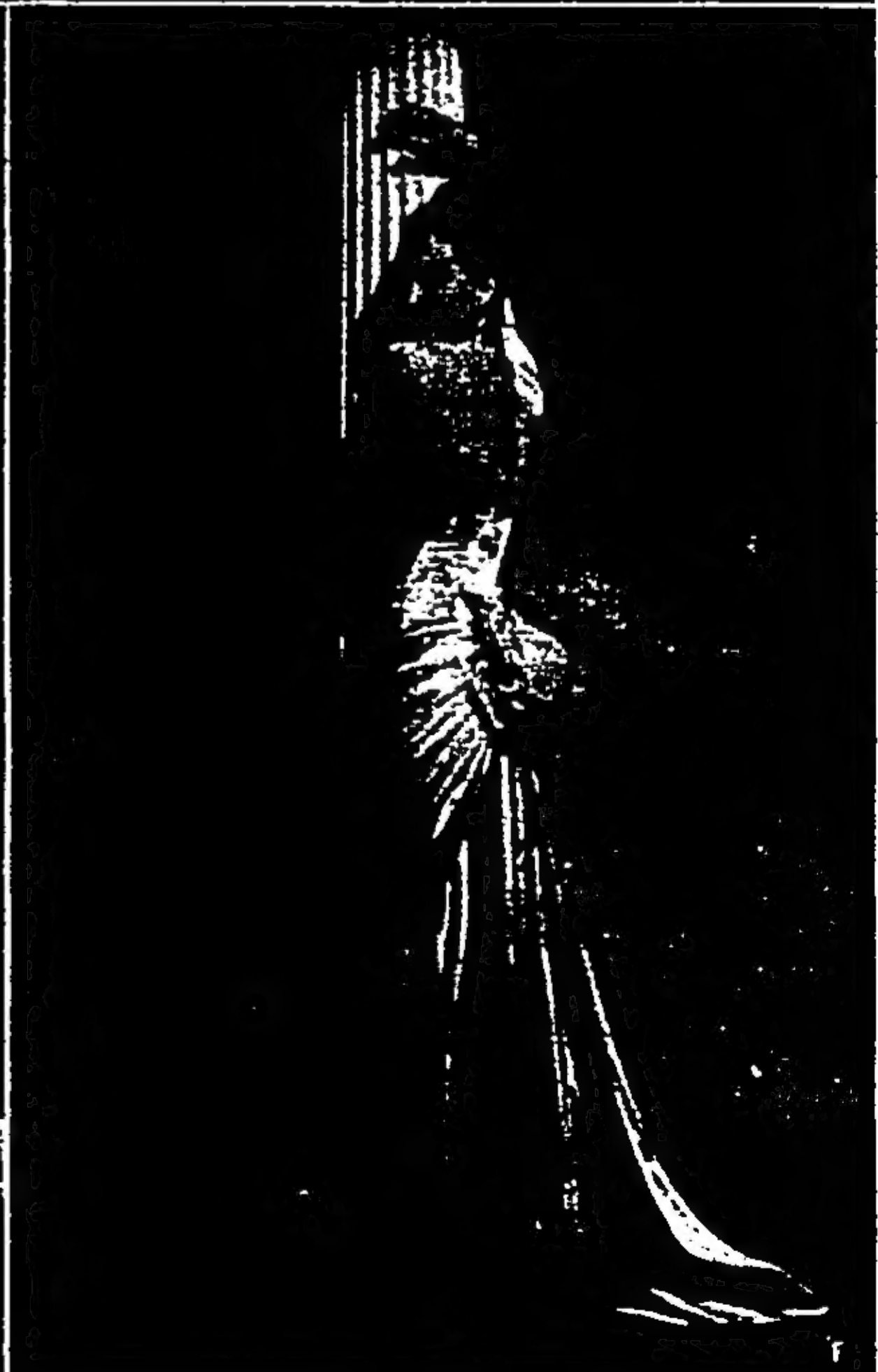
MR. AND MRS. BARNETT DEAKIN (NEE PATRICIA WOODCOCK) PHOTOGRAPHED AFTER THEIR WEDDING ON FRIDAY LAST WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL. ON THE RIGHT ARE THE TWO FLOWER GIRLS ATTENDING THE BRIDE, MISS ELIZABETH MORRISON AND MISS MARGARET ANN GORDON. (A Gainsborough Picture).

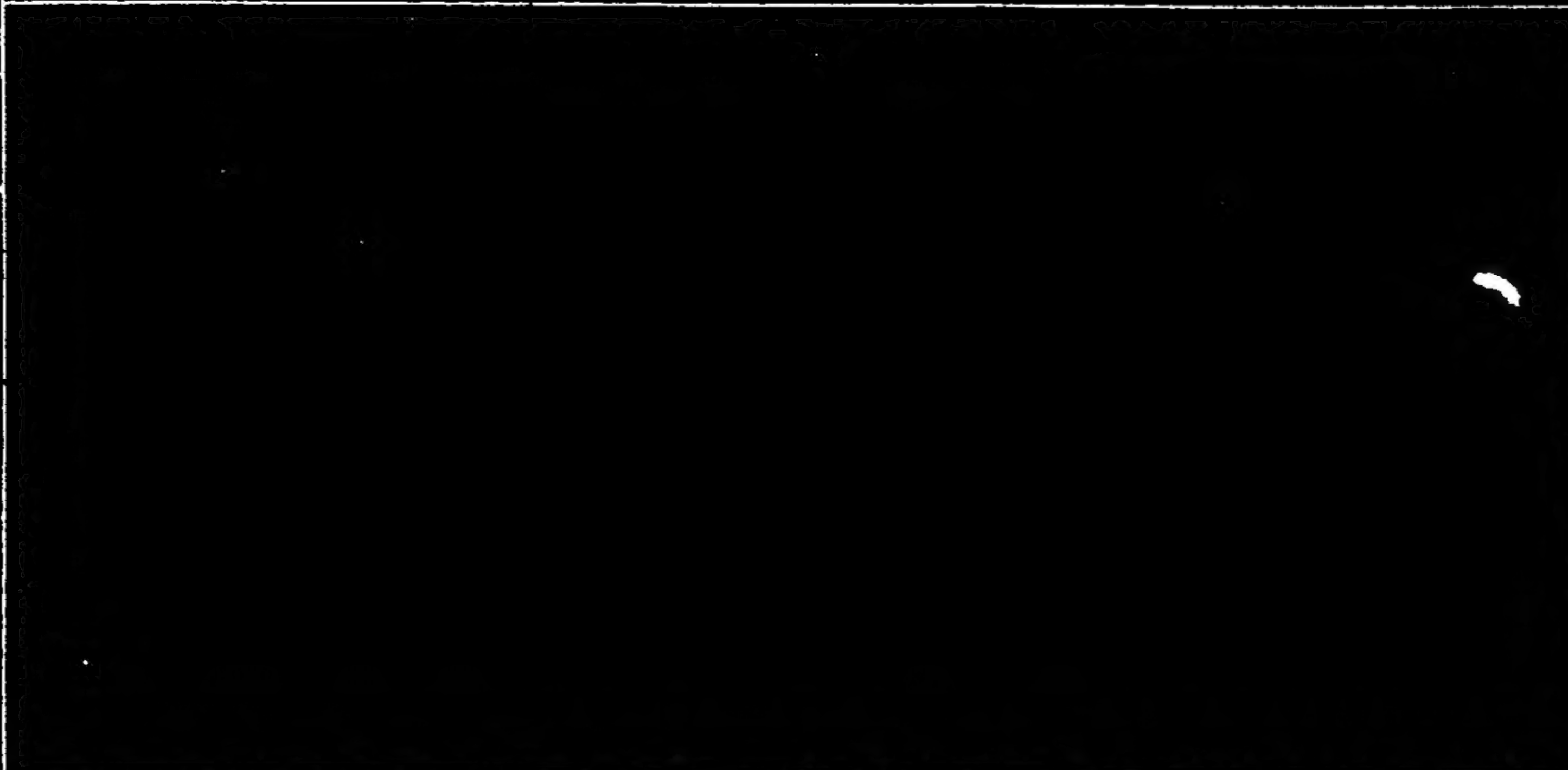
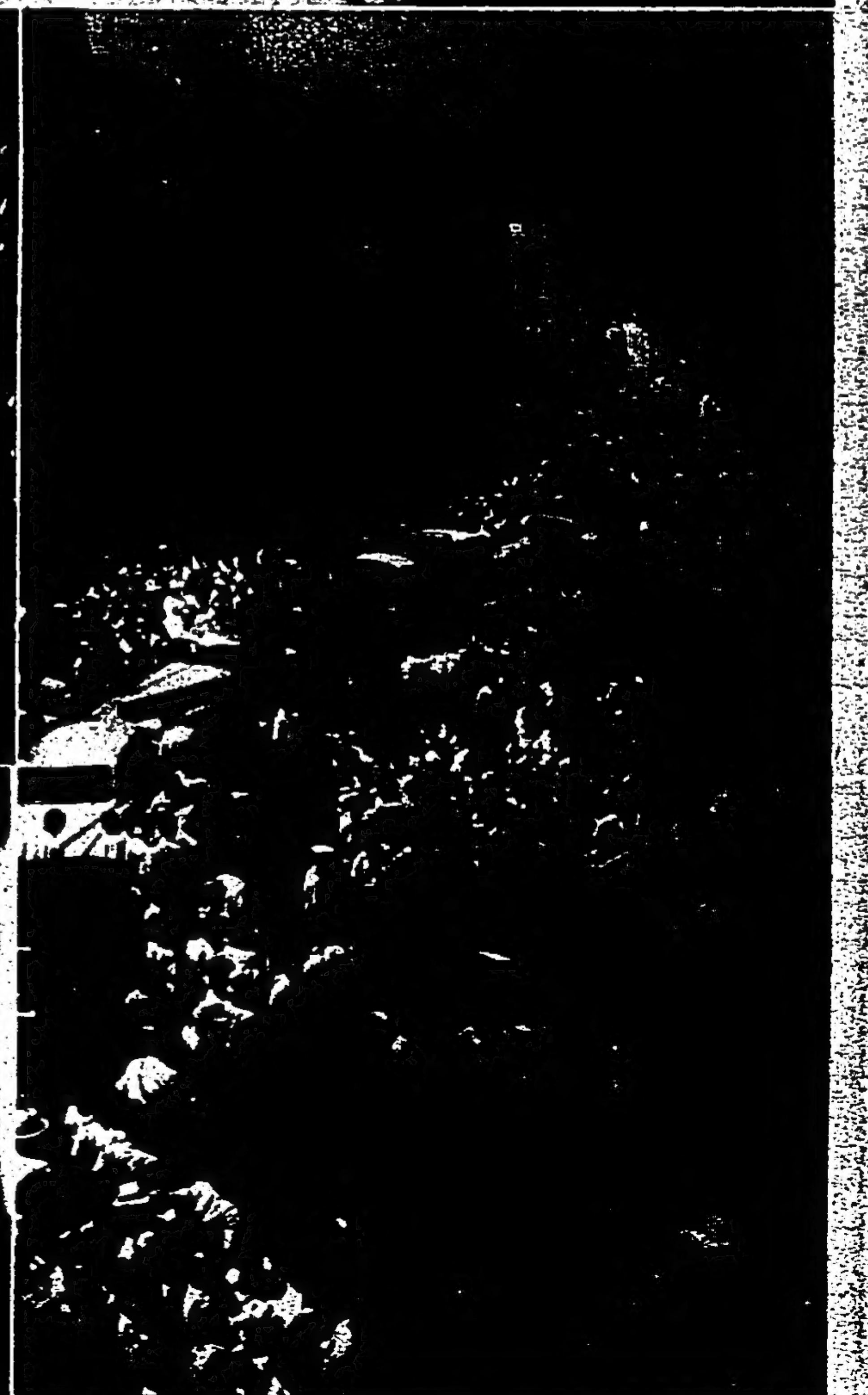


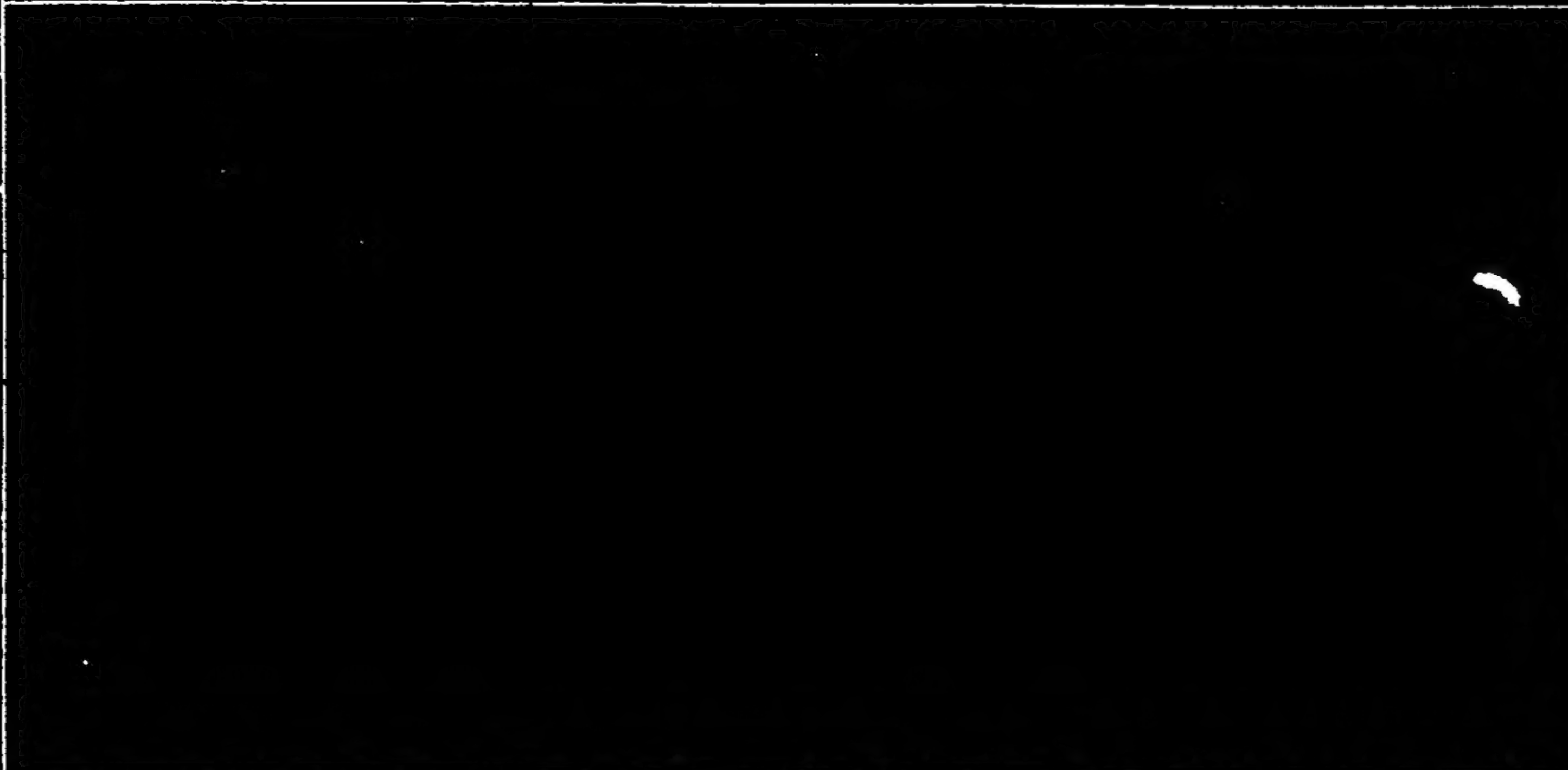
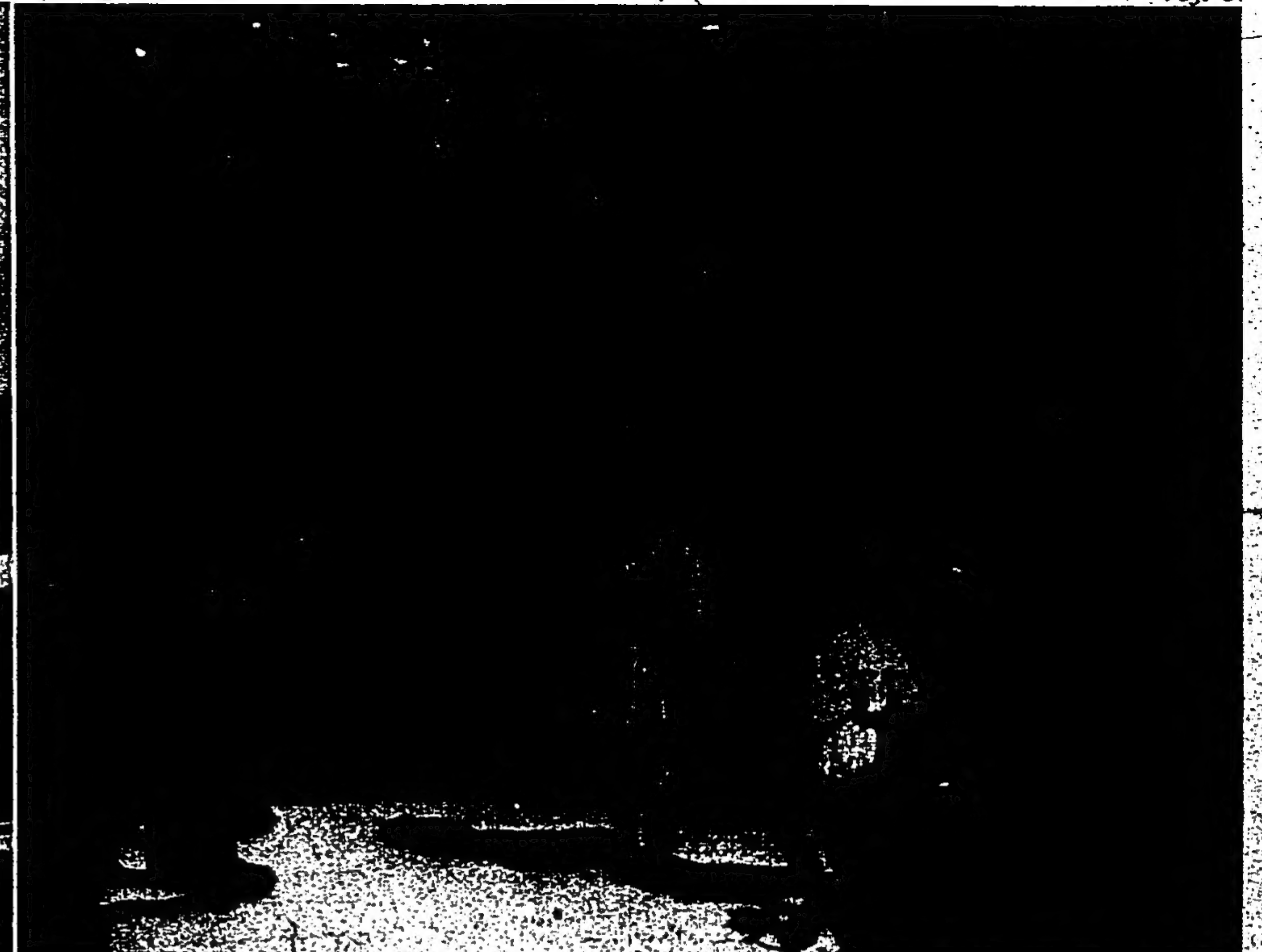
A CHARMING WEDDING TOOK PLACE AT THE ROSARY CHURCH WHEN MISS CARMELLITA DE SILVA BECAME THE BRIDE OF MR. W. DAVY, OF THE R.A.F. (Victor Studio).

A RECENT PORTRAIT OF MISS ANGELA HAMPDEN-ROSS WHO WILL SHORTLY CELEBRATE HER 21ST BIRTHDAY. (A Gainsborough Picture).









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OVER 8,000 MEN STOP WORK IN BIGGEST STRIKE SINCE THE LIBERATION

Hong Kong was yesterday plunged into the biggest labour strike since liberation, when nearly 8,000 mechanics and affiliated skilled labourers failed to report for work at the shipyards, wharves and several industrial undertakings.

The walk-out followed a strike order issued by the Chinese Engineers Institute late Friday afternoon, after receiving a letter from the Labour Officer that employers were unable to agree to the men's demand for a 150% increase in basic minimum pay.

Most seriously affected by the walk-out are the big commercial dockyards and the Royal Naval Dock.

About 2,700 men struck work at the Taitoo Dock, 1,500 at the Kowloon Dock, 500 at the Cosmopolitan Dock, and 2,200 at the Royal Naval Dock.

At the Bailey Shipyard, a small concern, about a hundred men left their posts.

First to leave their jobs were about 350 men of the R.C.R. Railway Workshop, who downed tools late Friday afternoon.

At the Hok On Cement Works, failure to receive work of the mechanical staff of 250 odd held up operations. Work had to be stopped yesterday.

Working of ship's cargo and other mechanical work at the Colony's two biggest wharves, the Kowloon Wharf and Holt's Wharf, are affected by the walkout of mechanics, engine and crane drivers.

About 70 men walked out of the Kowloon Wharf yesterday. The men at Holt's Wharf, numbering about 40, worked up to 2 o'clock in the afternoon before they handed over for the duration.

Hotels Affected

The managements of the Hong Kong Hotel, Republic Bay Hotel and the Peninsula Hotel, were taken by surprise when the mechanical staff of about 50 men handed in their tools yesterday morning.

Representation was immediately made to the Institute that no notification had been received by the Hotels from the Labour Officer of the strike, and the sudden walk-out would mean ruin to their food in cold storage amounting to several lakhs of dollars.

The Institute agreed to leave

behind a skeleton staff till 2 o'clock Sunday (today) so as to give the Hotels time to make arrangements for taking over.

Cold storage at the Dairy Farm is safe, as it is understood the mechanical staff have agreed to remain at their posts for the time being.

Some 40 men at the Waterworks Workshop, Waichai, walked out yesterday; but the rest of the mechanical staff at the Waterworks are remaining at their posts.

The only walk-out worthy of mention among the utilities was that of 40 men employed at the Kowloon Gas Works.

The Gas Company have issued an assurance that this action will not affect the gas supply in any way.

A few men of the Telephone Company left their jobs yesterday morning.

Apart from them the rest of the mechanical staff of all the utilities, the Hong Kong Electric Co., the China Light & Power Co., the Hong Kong Tramway Co., the ferries, and the buses, have given no indication of any intention of joining in the strike.

The stop-work order was carried out by the strikers in a most orderly manner.

Before they left work on Friday they put away their tools carefully for the duration, and handed over to those in charge.

Statement

"Never has there been a more spontaneous strike among workmen in the Colony," said an Institute official yesterday.

"It was the men themselves, more than the officials, who wanted the strike."

"They were practically all of one mind, and the representatives at each dockyard or other concern told the men their demand had not been accepted and they walked out without further question."

A European Police sub-inspector and four Chinese constables were on duty at the main gate of Taitoo Dock.

The Royal Naval Dockyard Police said it was all quiet with them. They expected no trouble.

One Train

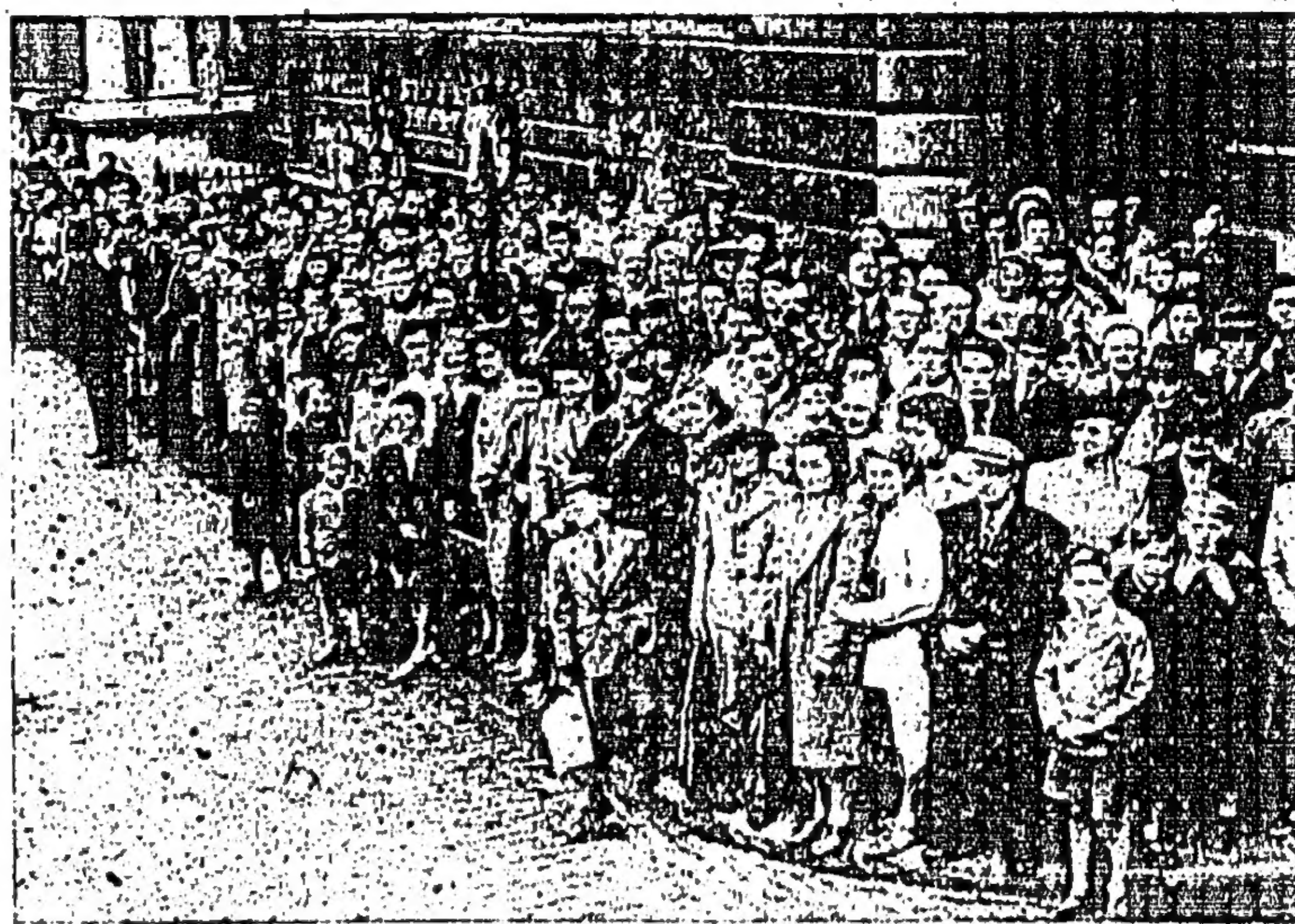
Only one train left yesterday at 3.10 p.m., with about thirty people, for Po Koi (scene of the train crash the previous day), presumably to maintain a shuttle-cock service until the wreckage is cleared.

It will carry back to Kowloon the passengers who were reported to have left on the train from Canton in the morning.

In an interview with the Press yesterday the Hon. Mr. R.H. Todd, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, urged the public not to start hoarding food and listening to baseless rumours of price rises. He assured the public that supply of food, fuel and water, and other daily necessities would be adequately maintained at any cost.

No information was available yesterday as to what action employers affected by the strike were taking.

They Waited To Hear Of Their Future



Here are some of the British people who waited to hear of their future, as the Minister of Defence (Mr. A.V. Alexander) and the Minister for Food (Mr. Strachey) left the final Crisis Conference with Prime Minister Clement Attlee. There was no fear, only intense interest, in what the tidings might be.—A.P. Photo.

Warring Sects Tug At Chiang's Grasp Upon Uneasy Sinkiang

Nanking, August 16.

The Central Government's hold on Sinkiang Province felt a dangerous jerk today as the political situation there further deteriorated. It threatened to split the vast border province into two warring domains, according to press messages from Tihwa.

Meager information obtainable at Nanking disclosed a widening chasm between Moslems (loyal to the Central Government) and other tribes (traditionally opposed to Chinese authority).

This has developed into open animosity with the recent appointment of Maou Sabri (Moslem born in Sinkiang) as Governor of Sinkiang in succession to General Chang Chih-chung (now Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek's G.H.Q. representative in the Northwest).

Sabri's appointment was greeted by the opposing camp with a series of acts of violence presumably to impugn his authority.

These acts were reported to have been instigated by Mahomet Tekiang (Deputy-Governor), who is said to have nursed a strong personal grudge against Sabri.

Exchange

Meanwhile, the "Hsin Min Pao" says that new exchange regulations, under study by Premier Chang Chun, would permit designated banks to negotiate foreign exchange obtained from exports or remittances

from abroad at the open market rate.

Rich Haul Of Opium

New York, Aug. 16.

A skipper's vigilance over his mixed crew of 58 provided American customs agents with a rich haul of \$25,000 worth of opium, when the British Motorship Silver Larch reached Boston from the Far East.

Captain R. G. Tilmouth became suspicious during the voyage when he noticed a bulky lifebelt, on which the ship's name was crudely painted instead of stencil, and a lifeboat which the crew was watching constantly.

When customs men climbed aboard outside Boston Harbour, he led them to one cache of 25-lbs. of opium, and another of 30.—Our Own Correspondent.

JEW TERRORISTS BLAST ARAB HOUSES

Jerusalem, Aug. 16.

British troops today recovered the bodies of seven Arabs—including four children—buried under a house blown up by Jews.

They were still digging for the wreckage, as Arab-Jewish clashes continued in Palestine for the sixth day.

Seven other Arabs were officially reported killed today in Jew-Arab clashes, bringing the total estimated death toll of Jews and Arabs in six days to 29 killed.

Over 70 on both sides have been injured.

Haganah, the Jewish resistance organisation, was responsible for the blowing up of a house, on the Tel-Aviv-Haifa Road, a Jewish source said. One woman and four children were among the victims whose bodies were recovered.

The bullet-riddled bodies of four Arabs were earlier found in the yard of the house, which

was situated in an orange grove. Haganah admitted that these Arabs, whom they described as "gangsters," had been dragged from their beds in the house.

Eighteen more members of the Rightwing Jewish Revisionist Party and other Rightwing Zionists were arrested today, according to a Jewish source, when police swooped on the diamond town of Nathanya, after slipping a net around the town.

Sixty leaders of the Revisionist Party were arrested ten days ago.

It was officially disclosed today that when the terrorists threw a bomb into the garden of a British regional headquarters at Nahariya (a northern Palestine seaside resort), Royal Engineers detonated the bomb

This at present is about three times the official rate of CN\$12,000 to US\$100.

The newspaper said a proposed contained in the suggested revision of exchange regulation was submitted to the Premier by Governor Chang Kiang-sa of the Central Bank.

No official confirmation is available.

The paper described the suggested programme as follows:

(1) The Government will designate certain banks to handle foreign exchange resulting from exports or remittances at the open market rate.

(2) Imports will continue to require permits but trade volume will be increased through sale of foreign exchange at the open market rate for the importation of non-essentials. Importers of daily necessities may continue to obtain limited amounts of foreign exchange at the lower official rate.

The "Hsin Min Pao" said the Executive Yuan would prepare regulations governing banks authorised to sell exchange at the open market rate.

It said there was no immediate plan to readjust the official exchange rate, "but the new regulations will have about the same result through the recognition of fluctuations in the open market quotations on the American dollar."

Reports have been circulating among official and diplomatic circles at Nanking that the Government plans an upward revision of the official exchange rate—at least to the present open market rate.

No confirmation has been available officially.

Wedemeyer

While these rumours were spreading, General Wedemeyer, who arrived here yesterday from Shanghai flew to Nanking this afternoon after having heard reports on the economic, political and military conditions in South China.

At the same time U.S. Ambassador George Atcheson, (chairman of the Allied Council for Japan) left for Washington where he will confer with the War and State Departments.

Colonel Carl A. Russell, Colonel David Larr and Colonel Harvey O. Huggins, of General Headquarters, United States Navy, left in the same plane for staff conferences in Washington.

Dutch Faced By Major Loss In U.N.O. Talks

Lake Success, Aug. 16.

The Netherlands today appeared to be headed toward another major defeat in its battle to avoid United Nations' action in the Indonesian dispute.

A survey of Security Council delegates indicated that a majority was determined to keep the case in the council's hands despite vigorous Dutch protests, says Associated Press.

Involved is a broad legal issue: Is the Security Council competent, under terms of the United Nations Charter, to handle the case?

Dr. Eelco Van Kleffens (Netherlands representative) has argued in almost every meeting that the Indonesian Republic is not a foreign state and that the dispute, for that reason, is not an international problem.

The council so far has side-stepped a decision on these questions, but it appears a showdown might come next Thursday when the council resumes its debates.

An official announcement in Batavia yesterday said the Federal Council of East Borneo will be installed on August 20, according to Aneta, Dutch news agency.

By this act complete federation of the territory constituting the residence of East Borneo will have been accomplished.

A council of self-administrators will submit legislative proposals and budget estimates to the Federal Council.

The Sultan of Keotal will be chairman of the Federal Council.

Small Republican guerrilla bands attacked Dutch patrols near Leuwiling, 11 miles west of Buitenzorg and 32 miles south-west of Batavia, a Dutch communique announced today.

The communique said that since the August 4 cease-fire 29 Dutch were killed, 51 wounded and one missing.

Dutch mopping up operations are continuing in the Anbarawa sector, 20 miles south of Semarang, with guerrilla bands offering "some resistance."

The communique claimed that during clearing activities Dutch forces killed three armed Japanese fighting on the Republican side in the neighbourhood of Combang, 23 miles southeast of Ponorogo and 38 miles north-east of Tjilatjap.

The communique also reported the "usual" sniper activity throughout Sumatra.—United Press and Associated Press.

The Weather

Pressure continues high to the E. of Japan. A separate high pressure cell has developed W. of Japan, covering Korea, the Yellow Sea and S.E. China. Pressure is low over N. and Central China and over Siam and the Caroline. A shallow depression has formed in the China Sea W. of Luzon.

Today's Forecast—Generally cloudy with scattered showers, morning and evening; fair periods during the day; moderate easterly winds.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum: 80 deg. Fah. Minimum: 70 deg. Fah. Sunshine: 7 1/2 hours. Rainfall: Trace. Total since Jan. 1—1926.7 mm. = 75.80 inches as against an average of 1226.4 mm. = 48.27 inches.

Readings at 10 a.m. 4 p.m. Baro. at m.s.l. 1009.0 1007.4 m.h. Dew Point 75.0 75.0 F. Humidity 75 75 % Rel. Humidity 75 75 % Wind Direction 75 75 deg. F. Wind Force 9 14 knots.

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ROBERT STEEN SMITH,
Secretary.

BRITISH MINERS TRAPPED IN DEEP UNDERSEA PIT

Whitehaven, Aug. 16.

Fifty-four bodies have been located out of 107 miners still trapped in a deep undersea coal mine and "there is little hope of any of them surviving," a production member of the National Coal Board said today.

Shortly before noon rescuers broke through the last of the rubble blocking the passage to the trapped area and began searching crannies and offshoots for the rest of the bodies.

It has been definitely established that 118 men died in the pit yesterday. The shift list named 121.

Rector T.W. Coles, on visits to families of miners, established that two men did not show up for work.

A third became ill before the explosion and left the pits.

After a conference the General Secretary of the Union in the Cumberland area, (Tom Stevenson) said miners would demand a public inquiry of the tragedy.

Three Falls

J. G. Helps, area manager of the National Coal Board, said that at least three separate falls blocked the main passage in the mine, two miles from the pithead.

The pithead is on the shore in Cumberland at the northwest corner of England.

The working slants downward under the sea.

The first burned body was brought to the surface at 7 a.m. As the first of the dead was carried out on a battered air-lift stretcher, rescue workers, police and priests at the pithead bared their heads.

Women and relatives of trapped miners, who spent a weary all-night vigil, pressed forward.

The body was so mutilated that identification could not be made immediately.

"We found the lad about 250 yards from the base of the air space," one of the rescue workers said.

Nearby lay 15 other bodies located earlier in the night by volunteer rescue teams who worked at a feverish pace to clear the blocked tunnels.

The Oldest

The pit is Britain's oldest under-the-sea mine, sunk more than 120 years ago. The workings extend under the Solway Firth.

Six years ago, 10 men were killed and several injured when an explosion occurred in the most productive working, which was then sealed off and new working developed nearer the shaft.

One miner who was brought out of the pit was on the shaft side of the explosion and was blown clear.

Though unhurt, he had received a bad shock and remembered nothing of what happened.—Reuter, United Press and Associated Press.

More Dead In Jap Volcanic Eruption

Karuzawa, Japan, Aug. 16.

Five more bodies of Japanese, who apparently died in the eruption of Mount Asama, were sighted by searchers today.

This brings the estimated number of known dead to eight, the U.S. Army reported today.

The five bodies are on top of the mountain.

They were spotted by friends and relatives who went to within 20 feet of the summit to carry down the bodies of two other victims.

A search for other bodies has not been made because of a possible recurrence of eruption. A party of Japanese Police



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"Since my return from leave I have dealt with more than 300 cases of seamen. This man has given me more trouble than the rest of them."

A Slight Change

London, Aug. 16. For many years the front page headline of the "Daily Mail" had borne the slogan—"A King and Empire." This morning it read—"For King and Commonwealth." It was a small indication of the simplicity and quiet with which Britain marked the transition to independence for India, brightest jewel of the British possessions for two centuries. — Associated Press.

Personalia

The wedding of Miss Madge Gellib and Mr. R.E. Todd, Secretary for Chinese Affairs, will take place on Friday at St. John's Cathedral at 4.30 p.m. A reception will be held later at Hong Kong Hotel.

The forthcoming wedding, which will take place on Sept. 20, between Miss Mary Helen Hayes, secretary, residing at Helena May Institute, to Mr. Robin Kelly, of Saigon, is announced.

The following left this week by BOAC Speedbird flying-boats for England and intermediate ports:

Messrs. W. Chu, Leung Po-yun, A. Cerd, E.R. Duckett, Lt. Col. A. Harper, Mr. and Mrs. G.W. Handcome, Miss P. Haraway, Mrs. Chang Cook-lee, Mrs. M.W. Haraway, Mrs. D. Turner, M. Elfron, E. Aiken, F.J. Lovell, H.V. Hedman, Mr. and Mrs. R. Brander, Master Brander, Mr. and Mrs. R. McCarrie, and Miss C. McCarrie, for Poole; C. Tarachid, for Karachi; A. Benjamin, S.M. Yusuf, A.A. Shirazee, R.J. Lane and Rosenberg for Calcutta; Yu Wa, Khaw Choon-wan, Mrs. Yuen Kwan-hui, Mr. Lee Choon-kwee, Mrs. Eng Tse-ngan and Miss Wong Ying for Rangoon; Yung Shio-hwa, Tan Kiet-kin, Mrs. Chung Ching-chen, Master C.K. Tam, Miss W.J. Tan, Chen Kuo-lung, Ho Lai-chuen, Miss Katie Chu and Capt. J. Krogh-Moe for Bangkok.

Arriving from England and ports en route this week by BOAC flying-boat were: Messrs. J.A. Pinkerton, Stammatolatos, E.C. Wilson, C.W. Henderson, H.S. Ling, K.J. Kong, Mrs. Pinkerton, Mrs. Stammatolatos, Mrs. Ling, A. Gerdan, S. Usher, Chow Fey-sung, Lee Chen-yel, Leung Wan, Mrs. Chung Shuk-ying and Master Leung Ing-yong.

The following arrived by BOAC from Singapore and Bangkok: Major Townson, Lieut. de Rome, G/Capt. Chapman, Messrs. Glossop, Wilson, Boul, Wheatley, Lim and Mrs. Little.

The BOAC aircraft for Bangkok and Singapore is scheduled to leave this morning carrying: Mr. and Mrs. G.H. Jordan, R.E. Runyan, E. Keller, R.F. Bristowe, C/P Matron E. Wright, Ho Chupang, D.S. Krishnavanti, Wong Ho-ching, Mrs. Ching Ling-hau, Lim Tong-hong, Chooi Kwai, Wong Chew-chung, Wong Lue-yun, Sun Kai-ming and M.A. Steiner.

The following have arrived at the Peninsula Hotel:—F.G. Evans, Mrs. A. Barr, Miss A. Anderson, E.R. Duckitt, W.J. Wallace, J. Vitlin, S.M. Yusuf, Mrs. M.W. Margrave, Mr. and Mrs. G.M. Hanscomb, M.L. Wheatley, G.A. Glossop, F. Cryde and A. Benjamin.

Peninsula departures:—Mr. and Mrs. D. O'Shea, M.J. Evans, E.S. Newell, A. Gerdan, Lt. Col. and Mrs. P.S. Hicks, Col. and Mrs. Pinkerton, J. Fletcher, J. Turner, E.S. White and G.L. Schibler.

The s.s. "President Pierce" sailed from San Francisco for Hong Kong via Manila and Iloilo on Aug. 13 and is expected to arrive here on Sept. 8.

An announcement in the Gazette states that St. Peter's Church has been transferred from West Point to the first floor of the Mission to Seamen and is licensed for the celebration of marriages.

The following passed the Mid-levels Board Examination held last month:

Government Hospitals: Pauline Ling, Agnes C. Shon, Jethy Tsang.
Tsun Yuk Hospital: May Wong.
Tung Wah Hospital: Wong Mo Xing, Au Chung Kung, Hon Lai Sang, Loong Chee Man, Wong Kin Luck.

Vagrant

"I then discontinued further relief for him," continued Mr. Hillyer, "and on Aug. 1 he was sent to the House of Detention after being charged under the Vagrancy Ordinance."

On Aug. 7 the master of the "Stanway Shanghai" asked Mr. Hillyer whether he could supply him with a few seamen, and he took on Osborne.

Osborne, who pleaded guilty, told the Magistrate, Mr. Neil Garland, he had no intention of leaving the ship. He had signed on on August 7, and he went ashore at noon on the 8th with five other men in order to get something to eat. There was no notification that the ship would sail that afternoon. He had \$400 which he handed to a friend (G.E. Thorpe) on board, as he did not wish to carry so much money ashore, and all his clothing was on board.

\$100 Fine

Convicting Osborne, His Worship imposed a fine of \$100 or in default one month's hard labour, which he said was very lenient, taking into consideration all the circumstances; and he issued a warning that if accused should come before him again he would be more severely dealt with.

Lad Hurt By Blast Of Detonator

On Aug. 12 a 15-year-old boy, Chau Sang, was injured by the blast of a detonator, and was sent to the Queen Mary Hospital where he received first aid, but was not detained.

As a sequel to the incident the Police yesterday issued the following statement:—

A man named Chung Ping, who earns his living by picking over rubbish looking for scraps of metal and glass which he sells, was engaged in his usual occupation in Wanchai on Aug. 10, when he found several pieces of scrap metal which he could not sell. He decided to melt them down, and on Aug. 12 he took them to the boy Chau Sang, a tinsmith, who dropped the metal into the tinsmith's chatty, intending to collect the result later.

After about 20 minutes there was an explosion in the chatty and the boy was struck on the head by flying fragments.

Police examination of the chatty produced five pieces of metal which appear to be parts of a shell fuse.

The rubble picker, Chung Ping, was questioned by the Police and warned to take to the Police Station in future any suspicious metal articles he might find.

Portuguese Credit For The Colonies

Lisbon, Aug. 15. The Portuguese Government voted a credit of 1,000,000 contos for development of Mozambique, Portuguese East Africa, and improvement of native and European living standards there.

Among the urgent problems to be met by the loan, the following were listed by a report accompanying the government's announcement of the loan:

Water plants of Lourenco Marques to be replaced with some of greater capacity; railways of Telo and Mozambique to be expanded and some lines only partially completed to be finished; light and water supply of Beira, Johannesburg, and Quelimane to be improved or instituted.

Other projects listed were: making geographical missions for study and make suggestions for protection of woods and fairs; lands, missions to study habits of preserving the valuable fauna of the colonies while undertaking extermination of plague locusts.

A special anthropological mission would attempt to map a programme for bettering the natives' living conditions. The credit was made for 50 years at three per cent interest. — United Press.

New Ban On Parking

The Commissioner of Police announces that as from tomorrow in order to facilitate repair work, Bonham Strand West will be open to traffic proceeding from west to east only, until the completion of the work.

Awards For HKVDC

Awards to nine officers and 31 Other Ranks of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps were published in the Gazette yesterday.

They are:—
Efficiency Decoration
Lt. Colonel R.D. Walker, O.B.E., M.C.

Lt. Colonel H. Owen-Hughes, Major E.G. Stewart, D.S.O., Major C. de S. Robertson, M.M., Major V.C. Branson, M.B.E., M.C.

Major J.H. Bottomley, Captain J.S. Rodrigues, M.B.E., Captain C. Blaker, M.C., Captain A.H. Penn.

Efficiency Medal

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Efficiency Medal And One Clasp

1085 A/Sgt. E.L. Groome, 1480 Sgt. G.A. Pinna, 1305 Pte. J.P. White.

First Clasp

782 Pte. A.L.G. Eastman, 5524 Sgm. J.J.O. King, 1323 Cpl. C.A.J.V. Ribeiro.

Second Clasp

374 R.Q.M.S. A.E. Kew.

Central School Opening

The Principal of the Central British School announces that the Autumn Term will commence on Monday, Sept. 15.

An Entrance Examination for new pupils will be held at the School on Tuesday, Sept. 2, from 9.30 a.m. to noon. Transport will be provided from the Star Ferry, Kowloon, at 9.00 a.m.

Applications for admission to the school should be made to the Principal not later than Monday, Aug. 25. No candidate will be allowed to take the Entrance Examination unless such application has been made.

In view of the large number of applications already received, parents desiring admission for children who have not yet arrived in the Colony are asked to register their names as early as possible, stating age, particulars of previous education, and approximate date of arrival.

INDIA APPEALS FOR END OF "VIOLENCE"

New Delhi, Aug. 16. The new Dominion of India, as its first official act, appealed on Friday night for a cessation of Hindu-Muslim violence in Hindustan and Pakistan.

"Whatever differences we have must be resolved by peaceful and democratic methods," Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru's Cabinet declared.

"We are a free people today. Let us act then as free men and women."

Communal warfare, which has left scores dead this week in Lahore (capital of partitioned Punjab) nevertheless continued.

The unofficial toll in three days of rioting there mounted to 268 dead and more than 200 injured. At least 30 fires blazed in Lahore and mobs were still reported to be looting.

The flags of Pakistan and India today flew over the capitals of the world from London to Bangkok and from Nanjing to Paris.

In Britain, the Indian community broke out flags of the two Dominions in ceremonies in London and many provincial cities.

The most impressive was the scene in Aldwych, the great crescent on the fringe of London's business quarter, where a long stretch of the thoroughfare was closed to traffic, forming a wide amphitheatre before India House.

Along both sides of the road crowds of Londoners formed six deep, while press photographers and motion picture operators trained their lenses on the entrance to catch the guests attending the flag ceremony.

Similar scenes were witnessed at the later ceremony at Lancaster House.

Meanwhile, Lord Listowel, last of a distinguished line of Secretaries of State, was on his way by aeroplane to Balmoral, the Royal residence in the Scottish high-

lands, to surrender his seals of office.

Now that the Indian Empire has ceased to exist, the seals will become museum pieces in the Royal archives at Windsor.

Extracts

Here are brief extracts from British tributes:

The King: "Freedom-loving people everywhere will wish to share in your celebrations. It is inspiring to think that all this has been achieved by means of peaceful change."

Lord Addison (Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations): "Permit me to join in the favour of congratulation upon the favourable circumstances in which this great change takes place."

Lord Listowel (the retiring Secretary of State): "I have the utmost confidence in the future greatness of the two new Dominions, which will have a unique opportunity to contribute to the economic recovery of Asia, and to enhance mutual understanding and promote friendly co-operation between the nations of the world."

At exactly 26 minutes past midday in New York, the flag of British India was lowered before a distinguished gathering of United Nations dignitaries and its place taken by the flag of independent India.

In Moscow

In Moscow, the new flag of the Dominion of India was hoisted from the balcony of her suite in the Metropole Hotel by Mrs. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, sister of the first Premier of the new Dominion and herself the first Ambassador of the Dominion of

Report Jap Tunnels

Owners of property under which or adjacent to which there are Japanese tunnels, are requested to report their presence to the Executive Engineer in charge of Routes and Tunnels, P.W.D., Lower Albert Road.

The P.W.D. announces that it will not undertake liability for such tunnels unless they are reported before Sept. 1. Liability for any damage due to tunnels which have not been reported by that date will be the responsibility of the owners of the property.

India to the Soviet Union.

Mrs. Pandit presented her credentials only on Wednesday.

Mr. Frank Roberts, British Minister, who is Charge d'Affaires during the absence in England of Ambassador Sir Maurice Peterson, called on Mrs. Pandit during the morning to offer Independence Day congratulations.

Other callers included the United States Ambassador (Mr. Walter Bedell Smith), the Envoys of Australia, New Zealand and Canada, and a representative from the Soviet Ministry of Foreign Affairs.—Associated Press and Reuters.

In Colombo

In Colombo storms and gales, which caused floods reported to be the worst in living memory in some parts of Ceylon today prevented Independence celebrations.

WAR MEMORIAL FUND

The Dairy Farm Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd. \$25,000, The East Asiatic Co., Ltd., Hong Kong Agency \$5,000, The Far East Oxygen & Acetylene Co., Ltd. \$1,000, Mrs. Dorothy Lamb-Gasper \$300, Mr. R. T. Cherrill \$250, Vannini Construction Co., Ltd. \$200, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Ritchie \$50, Mr. and Mrs. A. Mc G. Mitchell \$30. Total \$31,830.

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LAMB SAID TO FEAR BED BUGS IN HIS PRISON READING

It was suggested to Principal Officer Fordham at yesterday's hearing of the action brought by Robert Sandeman Lamb against A. D. Monkhouse, Immigration Officer, that Lamb had been warned by a prisoner in Stanley Prison not to draw books from the Prison Library because bed bugs had been found inside the books and that it would be dangerous to read them.

Fordham disagreed with the suggestion of danger and said that he had read the books himself almost every day while in internment and had never found a bug in any of them.

The case is being heard before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Blackall.

Lamb, who is claiming damages for false imprisonment, is represented by Mr. R. A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. F. H. Lowly.

Mr. A. Longdale, assisted by Mr. L. R. Andrews, is appearing for Monkhouse.

L. J. Fordham, Principal Officer, Hong Kong Prison, said that he was Reception Officer at Stanley Prison. He remembered Lamb being brought to Stanley Prison on Feb. 21, 1947, between noon and 2 p.m. Lamb came together with his kit and a detention order from the Immigration Officer.

Mr. Norman, Superintendent of Prisons, was brought to see Lamb. The detention order was read out to Lamb by Mr. Norman.

Fordham said that Lamb had a small package in his possession. As Lamb said, in answer to a question, that the package could not be opened, it was placed in the property safe. The rest of Lamb's kit was, after examination in accordance with the usual routine, placed in the clothing store.

Special Treatment

Fordham said that Lamb was treated as a special remand prisoner. He was allowed to come to the reception office twice a day, except on Sundays. He was permitted to sit in a chair.

make himself comfortable and smoke. He was also allowed to take books and magazines from his baggage for the purpose of reading.

Lamb usually came to the office at about 9 a.m. or 9.30 a.m. and remained till about 11.30 a.m. He also came in the afternoon and normally stayed there till 4 p.m.

Fordham said that Lamb had free access to his baggage daily, except on Sundays.

There was a library in the Prison, comprising some 300-odd books, for European prisoners. Lamb also had access to these books.

Fordham said that on or about Mar. 8, Lamb came to the office and said that he wanted to go through his kit thoroughly. He agreed to this, but stipulated that the examination should be carried out under his supervision.

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Chinese Mass Burning

Shanghai, Aug. 16.

In an open lot near Lungwa (China Dragon) pagoda, Chinese authorities today began a mass cremation of unclaimed bodies which have been lying a long time in unburied coffins.

About 650 bodies were found in two of the city's suburban districts, and representing only a part of many thousands of unburied dead in Shanghai.

Other cremations are expected in the future until the unclaimed dead—many of them civilian victims fighting in Shanghai in 1937—are disposed of.—Associated Press.

SEAMEN CHARGED AS SEQUEL TO "RED LION" BRAWL

A brawl in the Red Lion Inn, Hankow Road, at about 9 p.m. on Friday led to the appearance of Frank Ross, 25, British Able Seaman, and Charles Vierra, 32, seaman of s/s "Marine Flier," before Mr. W. H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

On their pleading guilty to the charge of disorderly conduct, Ross was fined \$30 and Vierra \$50.

When the Police arrived at the scene of the fighting, said Inspector J. Orem, Ross stated that he was having a drink in the Inn when Vierra went up and gave him a smack. Ross retaliated and a fight started.

It was the usual brawl among men who gathered for a drink and who have had one or two too many," concluded Inspector Orem.

Shutes of the Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd. have been removed from the restrictions of the Moratorium.

Forgotten Man Is Remembered

A "forgotten man" was recently remembered by the Government for his services to Hong Kong, and yesterday's official "Gazette" announced that he has been awarded the Colonial Police Long Service Medal.

Sub-Inspector W. B. Harris, now in England on pension, should have received the Medal two years ago, but somehow or other his name was omitted in the list of Police officers due for the award.

Coming to Hong Kong in October 1927, Mr. Harris joined the Police Force here. In 1932 he was awarded the Hong Kong Police Force Fourth Class Medal for Gallantry during the anti-Japanese riots.

Like most of his fellow officers, Inspector Harris was caught here when the Japanese attacked. He was interned at Stanley where he contracted dysentery. When Japan surrendered, Inspector Harris went home a "very sick man."

His award is effective as from Oct. 18, 1945.

Gold Sides Down Scale

Gold opened yesterday morning at \$377 a tael, but immediately slid down to \$364.

The drop was then stemmed, and during the rest of the morning it fluctuated between this figure and \$369. It closed at \$364.

After opening at \$14.70 a 100, declined to \$14, but recovered to \$14.25 before the market closed.

Chinese National Currency was unchanged throughout the day at 13.03 cents for futures and 14.05 cents for spot (for C.N.S. 1000).

U.S. dollars went up to \$5.10 and Sterling also improved to \$13.10. Australian pounds were again unchanged at \$12.53.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles from 12.30 to 2.00 p.m., and 8.30 to 11.00 p.m., and also on 9.55 megacycles in the 51 metre band from 12.30 to 1.15, 1.30 to 8.30 and 9.15 to 11.00 p.m.

11.00 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.
12.30 p.m.—Music of Schubert.
1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.10 p.m.—Orchestral Interlude.
1.15 p.m.—Four Intermittences.
1.30 p.m.—"Mule Time".
2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

6.30 p.m.—Top Liners of Variety.
7.00 p.m.—London Relay: Weekly News-Letter.
7.15 p.m.—Mark Weber and his Orch.
7.30 p.m.—Mabo Recital by Misha Levitski.

7.45 p.m.—Arias of Handel.
8.00 p.m.—London Relay: World News.
8.10 p.m.—London Relay: Home News from Britain.

8.15 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "Donkey and Ben", Episode 2, by Charles Dickens.
8.45 p.m.—Z.B.W. "Proms", No. 521.
9.00 p.m.—Academic Festival—Overture: Elgar's Violin Concerto in D; Prokofiev's "Classical" Symphony in D.

10.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.
10.10 p.m.—Weather Report.
10.11 p.m.—B.B.C. Transcription Service: "A Night on St. Paul's", by Harrison Gidde.

10.55 p.m.—Dallas "Koonza".
10.45 p.m.—Studio: Sunday Evening Sandwich.
11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

What Happened In The Courts

Europeans On Charge

Three Europeans are among the defendants in cases at this month's Criminal Sessions, pleas in which will be taken on Tuesday.

The following is the list:—Robert Iver Lawless—man-slaughter.

Fung Kwong and Leung Lu—robbery by two or more.

Yuen Chu—wounding with intent to murder; murder.

Li Fan—robbery by two or more.

Lam Hop—breach of the deportation order.

To Ming-fai—robbery by two or more; possession of arms, shooting with intent to evade arrest.

Chan Nuen and Wong Hol—armed robbery, receiving stolen property, possession of arms.

Lau Wai—robbery by two or more.

Victor John Brown and James Andrew Miller—robbery by two or more.

Mak Man-fan—robbery by two or more.

Chan Kwai, Tai Yuek-hon, Wen Chuen-chai and Chan San—robbery by two or more, possession of arms.

The Kwok-wah—causing an explosion likely to endanger life, demanding money with menaces (Adjudged from last sessions).

LARCENY

Charged with larceny from the person, Lee Shiu, 20, was sentenced to three months imprisonment with hard labour when he pleaded guilty before Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central yesterday.

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Pick-Pocket Banished

Kwan Sui, 23, unemployed, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and recommended for banishment by Mr. W.H. Latimer at Kowloon yesterday.

At 7.15 p.m. on Friday, said Inspector J. Orem, Corporal Avis was leaving the Alhambra Theatre when he felt a jolt at his trousers watch pocket. Feeling in that pocket he found some money missing.

The corporal turned round and caught hold of defendant and brought him to the Yumati Police Station in a taxi. On arrival at the station, the two \$10 notes were found hidden under the back seats of the taxi where they had been planted by accused during the ride.

NO LICENCES

For driving a car without a licence, Cheng Yau Chuen, 32, was fined \$100 by Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central yesterday when he pleaded guilty.

Inspector Brownrigg told the magistrate that at 6.50 p.m. on Aug. 15 S.I. Reddish stopped defendant's car at Morrison Gap Road. When asked to produce his licence defendant admitted he had none.

Kwok Hang, 24, was also charged with driving without a licence at Morrison Gap Road at the same time and date and was also fined \$100.

Ng Chiu, 36, of 7 Cross Street, charged before Mr. F.X. d'Almada at Central yesterday with attempting to commit a felony by climbing down a drain pipe at 104 Hennessy Road on May 17, was discharged with a caution.

S.I. Coles said that defendant climbed down the pipe, slipped and fell onto the back verandah of the floor below, sustaining serious injuries.

Defendant had been in hospital since, was discharged yesterday and appeared in court on crutches.

In view of what he had already suffered his Worship registered a conviction and cautioned the defendant.

OVERLOADED LORRY

While on duty at Tai Po Road, near Pelio Street, at 7.05 a.m. yesterday, S.I. Davies saw lorry 6573, driven by Cheung Kar-chun, coming from the direction of the New Territories.

The Police Officer stopped and searched the vehicle and found on board 250 cattles of fish.

Pleading guilty before Mr. W.A. Blair-Kerr to the charge of conveying more than 100 cattles fish without a permit, Cheung was fined \$500. S/I Howarth prosecuted.

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So far as the general public is concerned, the Mawan Beach Restaurant will open today—and close. Run by one of the oldest mariners on the China Coast, the Restaurant came up against the monopoly granted by franchise to the Kowloon Bus Company and Government red tape; the Restaurant has lost the first round. A younger man might have decided to fight. Captain J.E. Ternel, semi-retired on a disability pension and getting on in years—the last 48 have been spent at sea, at first under sail and then in steam—hasn't either the financial backing or the desire to wage a battle with Big Business. But he has not thrown in the towel, by any means. Sailors are an ingenious folk, and Captain Ternel is now off on another tack (to leave the Ring for the High Seas) and if the wind holds fair, he should soon be past Monopoly Point and Red-Tape Reef, and in smooth waters at last.

Ternel would have been an interesting enough character for this column even if his name had not sprung into prominence in connection with the Mawan restaurant. He hails from Mauritius, a British possession lying in the Indian Ocean some 650 miles east of Madagascar. With a total area twice that of Hong Kong, Kowloon and the New Territories, Mauritius was discovered in the early 16th Century by the Portuguese, who, however, did not settle there. The next visitors were the Dutch, who landed in 1638 and named it Mauritius in honour of the Stadholder, Prince Maurice of Nassau. In 1639, they established a small colony on the island.

In 1710, for some reason, the Dutch abandoned Mauritius and five years later the French took possession and renamed it "Ile de France." In 1721, the first French settlement came into being, to become a great centre of trade and of French Government in the East. The seat of Government, however, was removed to Pondicherry in 1769 and the island was captured by the British in 1810. The old name of Mauritius was restored, but both the French language and French law have been preserved under British rule.

But to get back to Captain Ternel. There is an excellent harbour on the north-west coast of the island, and all the necessities of life imported from abroad come through it—rice and grain from India, flour from Australia and India, oxen from Madagascar and Rodrigues and minor imports from South Africa and the rest of the world. It was hardly surprising, therefore, that the young Ternel should decide on the sea for his career.

The year 1899, therefore, saw him going to sea, in sail. In 1904, he transferred to steam—"left the sea for steam," they used to call it in those days—and in 1913 had the unusual distinction of getting his master's ticket and his first command—during World War I, he commanded ships in convoys all over the world, including the North Atlantic. Following the temporary peace between wars, he was in command of various ships operating in Middle East waters—"principally the Indian Coastal trade—if you can call trips up the Persian Gulf and to Red Sea ports 'coastal trading'."

He saw Hong Kong for the first time in 1938, and it wasn't long before he earned another, and unwelcome, distinction—Captain Ternel has been in Japanese "custody" two times. On the first two occasions, he was running the Japanese blockade of Shanghai when his ship was seized and everyone on board held in custody for some time before they could be released. That may have had something to do with his joining the Mawan Beach Restaurant. On the other hand, one might incorporate a touch of snob appeal and point out that the Hon. Presumptive to the Throne of England, Sea Ranger Elizabeth, and her sister Margaret Rose, think nothing of scrubbing the decks of their M/L.

In 1940, the years caught up with him and he was demobilised from the M.L. Watchers. So back he went to sea again, in the old "St. Vincent de Paul," operated under an arrangement with the Ministry of Transport between China and Rangoon in the rice and gunny-sack trade. Caught in Hong Kong by the Japanese "blitz," attack of December, 1941, he saw the "St. Vincent de Paul" scuttled to prevent her falling into Japanese hands and spent the next few years as an unwilling guest of Dai Nippon at Stanley.

Today, Captain Ternel is made of a small fibre—very plucky between Hong Kong and such

ports as Kowloon and Macao. He is in port every second day and then has a lot of spare time on his hands. A cousin owned a bungalow on Mawan Island, on the northern side of Capaul-mun. Five minutes walk from the bungalow is one of the Colony's better bathing beaches. The combination sounded good to Captain Ternel, and so, after various negotiations, the Mawan Island Restaurant opened for business on June 8. That day there were 18 visitors, the following Sunday 84 and the one after that 170. Then trouble stepped in. His private bus service had to be taken off the road. Ternel still doesn't understand why he should be picked on while the air line companies are permitted to run private buses along a bus route to Kai Tak and the Hong Kong Hotel along another bus route to Repulse Bay.

He hired taxis—and then ran into more trouble. The sampans he was using to ferry people across to the island had no outboard motors fitted—which brought them into the category of motorboats and made it necessary for them to comply with various regulations as to length, etc. which ruled them out immediately. Sampans with outboard motors are the only practical craft, Ternel told me, as there is no pier for motorboats to go alongside and the sampans run up onto the beach to load and unload

passenger. As "motorboats," they have to be, amongst other things, 40 feet long—which means that an inboard engine is necessary, and that means they can no longer run up onto the sand!

So, the Mawan Island Restaurant closes today. But I said earlier that sailors are an ingenious folk. Ternel is now trying to turn the whole thing into a private club, with liberal terms for membership. If he succeeds—and the indications are he will—the whole thing is solved. "I can then run my own transport and my own sampans, and no one can stop me," he told me. It rather looks as though he's got something there!

The spurious rumour has it that eventual plans for the peace-time re-organisation of Hong Kong's "Wavy Navy" not only include regular training cruises, parades, etc. but also the formation, for the first time in the history of this Colony, of a local Women's Royal Naval Service. The Wrens did a magnificent job at home and abroad during the war—they did everything from acting as cooks and stewards, operating telephones and working in the signals and codes offices, to sorting mail, delivering messages by motor cycle, driving cars and lorries, manning motor boats, operating radio-sonde weather balloons, cleaning and overhauling guns—and some of them even went abroad. Indeed, short of manning one of His Majesty's warships in action against the enemy, there hardly seems to be any branch of the Navy in which these extremely able and keen young women weren't to be found.

Having seen at close hand what a vital part they can play, I am all in favour of Hong Kong having its Wrens, too. I rather wonder, though, if there will be much response in this Colony. There are one or two ex-Wrens, both Officer and Lower Deck, in Hong Kong today and their reaction to the scheme has been favourable. On the other hand, some of the spoiled brats who spent the war "Down Under" have definitely told me that their fond parents would hold their hands up in horror as they've heard that recruits in the women's services at home were made to scrub floors and wash dishes! Poor dears. Possibly the Hong Kong Wrens might include special provision whereby these fragile wenches could bring their amahs along to perform such menial tasks. On the other hand, one might incorporate a touch of snob appeal and point out that the Hon. Presumptive to the Throne of England, Sea Ranger Elizabeth, and her sister Margaret Rose, think nothing of scrubbing the decks of their M/L.

Operating more or less on a shoestring and under a somewhat odd system of Government control, Zbw-hopskilling may pride itself on being as good as it sometimes is. The Transcription Services of the BBC may take a major share of the credit—with some of the local announcers taking the distasteful side.

An idle hour's entertainment can be secured by ignoring the programme and concentrating on the announcer and his mispronunciations. Here are a few picked at random from recent broadcasts.

"Violinterlude"—a Winchellism the old Maestro himself would approve of; but a little unjustified. It was quite pleasant really. "Kwangs"—pronounced a la American; seems a pity not to give our big neighbour the courtesy of the usual pronunciation. "Aloshana"—the strip of islands off Alaska, y'know! "Virtusity"—Mr. Proofreader, don't put in the "o" the announcer omitted. "ShoatKovitch"—Composers and artists' names seem to be a favourite stumbling block; wonder why ZBW does not invest in a book like Hughes' "Music Lovers' Encyclopedia," which gives all the correct pronunciations.

"MozART"—Most people prefer Mozart; still, I would forgive this announcer his one slip in an otherwise well-announced programme—last Sunday's "Prom."

Storm Warnings

While in the subject of ZBW's shortcomings—and I am nobly restraining myself from devoting a whole page to the matter—I have heard a reasonable complaint on the subject of the storm warnings. "Regular Listener" grumbles that the mass of figures about Lat and Long, Force 5 and what-have-you means nothing to a land

lubber. Why, he asks, cannot ZBW translate these into English?

Primarily, of course, the answer is that the storm warnings are listened to by ships at sea, to whom this technical language means something. At the same time, I agree that local, non-seagoing types are also entitled to some information. In these days of cramped accommodation and hotels filled to saturation point, it is no fun being caught at the wrong end of the terminus with the "Ferries Stopped Running" signal blustering in the wind.

It should not be difficult for ZBW to incorporate non-technical comment for the benefit of listeners. For instance, "Storm Warning—A small typhoon at 1200 hours GMT was centred within 30 miles of 10 degrees North, 112.5 degrees East, moving West-North-West at 10 knots. Wind Force 8 near centre. This puts the typhoon at 9 p.m. roughly some 30 miles south-west of the Colony, moving in the direction of Kwangchowwan. Winds of from 35 to 40 miles an hour can be expected near its centre."

Noises Off

Nominated for an especially hot corner of the Nether Regions are those, thoughtless Chinese parents who take children in arms to 9.30 p.m. cinema performances. No wonder the average Chinese in these parts is such a weedy individual and an easy victim to tuberculosis. I went to one of the late performances of "Fantasia," and throughout the show and from all corners of the house there came a walling and a grumbling and a chattering from tired kids, some of them too small to walk.

By contrast, I have yet to see a European child of similar age at one of these late shows. Parents so lacking in commonsense for the wellbeing of the children, and in courtesy and consideration for those who want to see wonderful music brilliantly interpreted by a genius, ought to be the subject of a special law.

If our Benevolent Government ever gets round to framing an Over-licence Intellid Measures designed to ensure Public Enjoyment of Public Entertainment, it might also incorporate some special sub-sections for two other nuisances apparent that same night. First, there was the non-Chinese in seat C-4, who audibly topped his foot to most of the music, varying this with a scrappy shuffle-slide across the uncarpeted floor. Stravinsky is not an easy composer to listen to; extraneous and unnecessary sound don't make him any easier. The other Post is the unmusical Projection Machine operator, who apparently thinks nothing of cutting out a few vital bars as he switches from one reel to the next.

All in all, it sounds as though I did not enjoy "Fantasia." I did, and very much, too, thank you. Not quite as much as when I sat through two full performances in Studio One in London in 1943—but then, listening conditions there were so much better. The audience was a well-behaved, silent for the most part, though not ashamed to laugh or exude a murmur of appreciation at the right moment. For another, the seats were comfortable, springy and roomy—in contrast to our local hard, cramped variety.

Matters even got to the stage a few years later of the drawing up of a Petition to the House of Commons, while in 1870 the Chinese community added its voice to the clamour. It was ever a favourite topic when, as was frequently the case in those early days, feelings between Government and the Community became strained. For instance, among the complaints of the British community over the administration of Sir Henry Pottinger (1841-44) was one that "with a view to making the Colony pay its own expenses, he imposed on the colonists all sorts of financial restrictions and taxation, whilst giving the British community no municipal powers nor any representation in Council."

In 1844, matters began to get more serious, with public meetings and Memorials to the Governor. These were started off by a new Ordinance for the registration of the people of the Colony. On October 30th, a Memorial signed by 107 Britons objected to the Ordinance on a number of grounds, the only one to interest us here being that the Bill was arbitrary and unconstitutional. As it taxed British subjects in "the most iniquitous of forms." An enthusiastic public meeting roared its approval when one speaker quoted Blackstone's commentaries to prove there can be no legal taxation of British subjects without representation. Blackstone proposes—but Government imposes!

From that time on, there were frequent attempts to secure a municipal government—all to no avail. In 1849, for instance, as a result of a public meeting in the Oriental Bank, a Petition was drawn up for presentation to the House of Commons. This asked that "a share in the administration and local affairs of the Island should be given by some system of municipal Government to the British residents."

I cannot trace any record of this Petition ever actually reaching the House of Commons. The Governor (Sir George Bonham) did forward a copy to the Colonial Office, however, and some nine months later was able to ask the JPs to elect two members to the Legislative Council. Under Bonham, it is possible steps might have been taken to grant this Colony a municipal Government earlier than has proved to be the case. He suggested as a first step the formation of a municipal committee of Police Commissioners. The JPs, however, wanted a full-blown Municipal Council or nothing—and as a result, got nothing.

Indeed, by 1850, the Governor (Sir John Bowring), while agreeing to a reconstruction of the Legislative Council, said that this would not be on any representative basis, to which the circumstances of Hong Kong are, in the judgment of Her Majesty's Government and of a majority of the members of the Executive Council, far from adapted.

And so it went on and on, with no one really getting anywhere very much (ill) last year. On other date, however, is worthy of record. Sir Arthur Kennedy, who was Governor from April, 1872 to March, 1877, was the first Governor to invite prominent Chinese to social gatherings and public receptions at Government House. In July, 1873, he received a Chinese deputation which asked him to grant the Chinese community some form of municipal council. To begin with, they wanted him to authorise the election of a Chinese municipal board, consisting of two Chinese residents from each district, to assist the Registrar-General with their advice in all Chinese municipal matters. Sir Arthur made various half-promises and assurances which he was unable to implement, but in January, 1876, he issued an over-verbose order that in future the Chinese were to communicate grievances and complaints through the Registrar-General.

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BLITZ BABIES CAUSE OF CRIME WAVE IN BRITAIN

Scotland Yard's Revelations

London, Aug. 15. Britain's "Blitz Babies," born at the outbreak of the war, started a juvenile crime wave which has raised a louder howl through the nation than war's screaming air-raid siren. It sounds fantastic that youngsters in short pants should have organized criminal gangs but Scotland Yard offers official figures for doubtful adults.

Nearly 30,000 boys and girls appeared in police courts throughout the country last year. Half were under 14 years of age.

In most cases, the youngsters, mainly accused of stealing, worked in organized gangs. Thirty-nine London gang leaders were eight years old and five of the leaders were under eight. The Yard's record showed 164 crime leaders were nine.

Welfare authorities point out that juvenile crime is most prevalent in heavily bombed cities. For instance, kids from the seared city of Liverpool accounted for half of the prosecutions for indictable offenses such as housebreaking, burglary, and serious robberies. Over 25 per cent of this group were under nine years of age.

Tragic Documents

The youngsters' individual cases provide tragic documents on the effects of war on civilian populations. A vast number of cases show the youngsters' parents were killed either at home or in the service, or their homes were ruined by bombs, forcing the children into a new and unhappy home. Parents in wartime had less time to their children who, in turn, had less opportunities for healthy recreation and normal life.

Britain's eight-year-old "gang leaders" were born just at the war's start in 1939. Before they were a year old, the Luftwaffe terrorized their sleeping hours and many babies developed nervous disorder. In June 1944, the flying bomb attacks started, frightening even those youngsters who had been evacuated to the "safety" of the country.

The Cure

While many evacuees took to their new homes and even in some cases preferred them, others missed the parental love needed so much in early years. Police and welfare officials know the reasons for the juvenile crime waves. Now, they are trying to find curative measures. They fully realize unless the current trend is halted, Britain will breed its largest crop of adult gangsters in history.

Liverpool's police chief said "energies which express themselves in crime would, if well guided, be a social asset."

Welfare workers have now combined in a campaign to provide better recreation facilities and health clubs to replace the criminal gangs. Parents have received government pamphlets on how to handle "problem children."

Hitler did not offer an easy path for Britain's rising generation.—United Press.

MARSHALL PLAN TALKS IN FINAL STAGES

London, Aug. 15. The 16-nation conference on the Marshall plan will start work on its final report to the United States on Monday. The report will state what Europe wants and emphasizes the urgency of getting that aid soon to avoid a major crisis next winter.

In the light of President Truman's statement yesterday that no special session of Congress was yet contemplated before January, it seemed improbable that the 16-nations report stood any chance of acceptance—at least as regards timing—in Washington before then.

The Executive Committee of the Paris Conference will assemble the reports of the four special committees on Monday and from them work out a policy report to be submitted to the United States. In a general review of the work of the Committee since it opened in a plenary session at the end of July, a spokesman pointed out that in less than a month, the bulk of the work had already been completed.

Soviet Refuses

The Soviet Government has indicated its intention to refuse to reply to the questionnaire sent to the Commander-in-Chief of the Soviet Zone of Germany, so that it should now be clear that the east of Germany will be excluded from the Marshall plan.

Next week, the technical reports will be assembled by the Executive Committee and policy questions will be discussed by the Cooperation Committee.

In the last fortnight, senior delegates held preliminary informal discussions on such practical matters as a European customs union and other plans for freeing trade and expansion of production; hydro-electric schemes; currencies; the possibility of creating large tractor factories for European use, and others.

Monnet Plan

During these discussions, it has become clear that one of the main underlying questions facing the Conference is now the French Monnet plan which aims at an annual French steel production of 15,000,000 tons is to be related to the wider scheme for the reconstruction of Europe. A further basic issue is the

OLDSTER DOES IT AT 90

Rosa, Italy, Aug. 15. Ninety-year-old Benjamin Fosson climbed the 4,200-metre peak of Castor today in 17 hours. When the veteran mountaineer returned to the shelter, he was felled by all Alpineists in the region, including his ten sons and more than 100 grandsons and great-nephews. The climb up the most difficult summit of famed Mount Rosa was Fosson's life ambition.—United Press.

Rangoon Taking No Chances

Rangoon, Aug. 15. New arrests and security measures in Rangoon and surrounding districts were reported here today, nearly four weeks after the assassination of U Aung San, Deputy Chairman of the Burma Executive Council, and other Burmese Cabinet Ministers.

An additional ring of barbed wire fencing has been erected and the guards strengthened round the Government Secretariat since the shooting incidents earlier this week.

The guards at the Insein Prison, where the ex-Premier, U Saw, and other leading personalities alleged to be "directly involved" with the assassinations are awaiting trial, were also strengthened.

"We are determined to see that there is no gool break," a high authority told Reuter.

The arrests included U Maung Kyaw, Editor-in-Chief of the Sun, leading Burmese daily newspaper of which U Saw was once Managing Director, Makin Si, wife of the "Red Flag" Communist leader, Thakin Sue, several of his relatives and some ex-officers of the Japanese-sponsored Burma Defence Army.—Reuter.

Soviet To Break With Greece?

Athens, Aug. 15. The Yugoslav Charge d'Affaires in Athens, M. Sehovitch, and other members of the Slav legation left here for Belgrade by air last Wednesday, it was disclosed here today.

M. Sehovitch applied for his exit visa from the Greek Foreign Minister 10 days ago. His departure has aroused considerable comment in Greek political circles.

Rear Admiral Radianov, the Soviet Ambassador, left Athens in April without applying for a re-entry visa. Political circles in Athens believed that a break of Greek-Soviet diplomatic relations was near. These circles thought that the Slav countries are planning to withdraw their diplomatic missions from Athens to enable them to recognize the "free Greek Government" which the Greek guerrilla leader, "General Markos", was said to be about to announce.—Reuter.

Hotels Face Slump

Zurich, Aug. 15. Swiss hotel owners have become increasingly alarmed as they contemplate the possible effect of Britain's crisis cuts in tourists' allowances on the influx of visitors to see the Olympic winter games next January and February at St. Moritz.

The cuts, which reduce British tourists' spending from £75 to £35, will hit mainly first class hotels, who have catered to British visitors' requirements.

The Swiss Hotel Revue, organ of the Swiss hotel trade, has urged that Switzerland, as an "important buyer of British goods," should not "lie down" to Britain's decision.—Reuter.

Secrets Broadcast Over B.B.C.

London, Aug. 15. Criticism of a "serious lack of consistency" among Government departments, which led to secret evidence about atomic research being broadcast, was voiced in the fourth report of the Select Committee on the estimates published today.

The Committee, which is the Parliamentary Commission set up for controlling Government expenditure, recommended that the present system of publication of the estimates should be thoroughly re-examined, particularly with a view "to ensuring that anything which is decided on security grounds must be kept secret, is not allowed to appear, even in a disguised form, until the need for secrecy is past."

Stating as an instance that the major part of the evidence taken about atomic research was given in strict confidence to a sub-committee, the report said: "It was surprising, therefore, for the members of the sub-committee to hear much of it broadcast over the wireless a few weeks later."

The report tabulated the problem can be solved only by deciding firmly and nationally what information cannot be published or must be treated with some reticence, in the interests of national security, and by securing that such a decision when taken is

consistently adhered to by all departments.—Reuter.

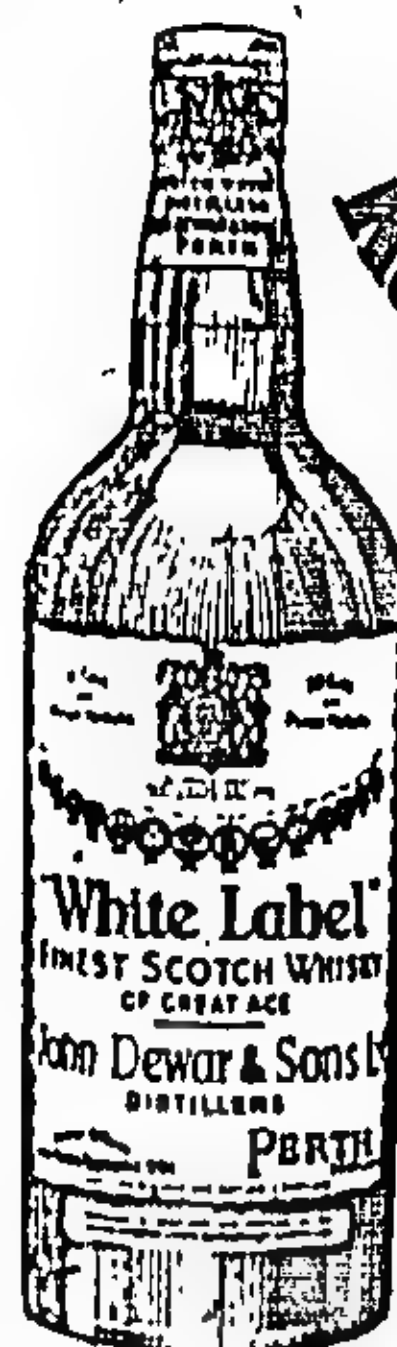
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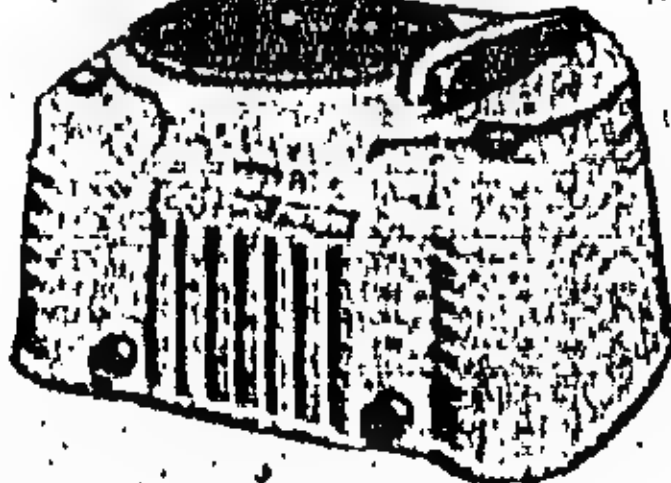
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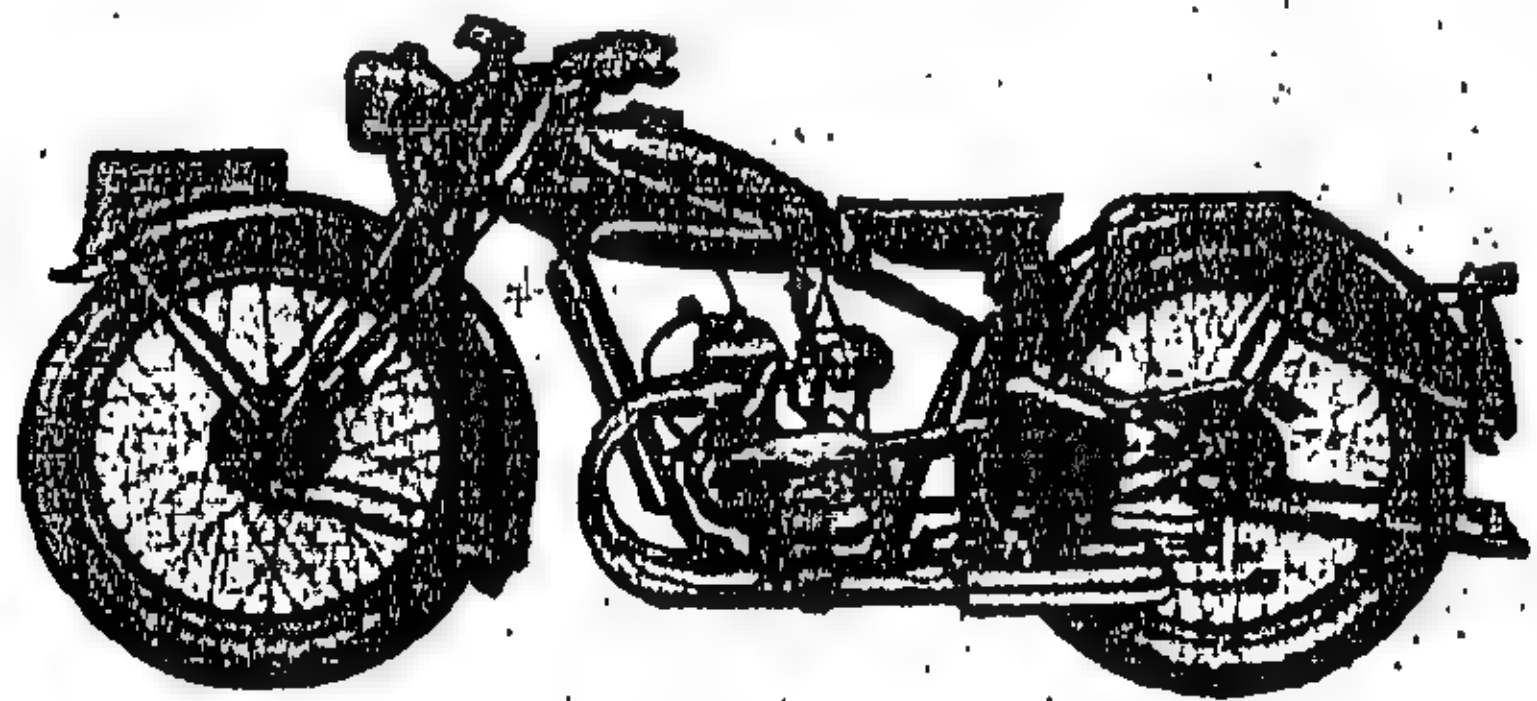
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THE Council Chamber (above), and (right) an Old Delhi street scene.

THE Viceregal Lodge (above), and (right), a view of the Great Mosque.

THE belated shopping centre, which encircles gardens.

The Future of New Delhi

Britain's conferment of Dominion status to Pakistan and India goes a long way to solving outstanding problems, but it would be unreasonable to suppose that it solves them all, or that it does not create others.

One of these must be the fate of New Delhi, British India's capital city, magnificent monument to the administrative achievements of the British Raj.

A glance at a map will explain what is happening to New Delhi.

Reminders

From a position of strategic and geographic importance in the centre of a unified India it will, if present plans for partition materialise, find itself the extreme north-western corner of Hindustan and almost on the borders of Pakistan, which is to be governed from the sea and air port of Karachi.

Congress-dominated Hindustan had no particular affection for Delhi, packed as it is with reminders of British Imperialism and the older empire of the Muslim invaders.

From the point of view of sentiment as well as centralisation they may prefer to take their seat of government further to the south east, even though Calcutta, the obvious alternative and India's capital until 1911, is little better placed in a geographical sense and seems likely to fall within a Pakistan sphere of influence.

If the possession of unrivalled administrative facilities, created at a cost of millions of pounds, should fail to save Delhi from eclipse it will, indeed, be a strange twist of fate.

Over the centuries six Imperial Muslim cities flourished and faded on this dusty plain beside the sacred river Jumna.

The seventh, Shahjahanabad, survives in what is now Old Delhi.

New Capital

The decision to create a brand-new capital on the edge of the older city was taken in 1911, and "New Delhi" was formally inaugurated in 1931. Some 30,000 labourers, scores of British and Indian artists and technicians, and a group of gifted architects, notably Sir Edwin Lutyens and Sir Herbert Baker, had performed a modern miracle.

On a tract of semi desert country they had constructed immense sandstone and marble administrative palaces, avenues of spacious residences, impressive churches, luxury hotels and a shopping centre containing

ing cinemas, cafes and stores equal to those of most English cities.

The whole lay-out was planned in and around a vast artificial park, studded with lakes, gardens and fountains, made possible by an ingenious water system producing more than ten million gallons a day.

New Delhi's planning is taken to about the last degree, but even if you dislike planning the odds are that you will like New Delhi.

You may be fashionably critical of its architectural style—

By

KENNETH DAVIES

(Inter-Services Security Staff, New Delhi, 1944-45)

admittedly a compromise between old and new, East and West.

You may, if you strike it in the glistering heat of mid summer, wonder if the trouble was worth while.

May Sneeze

You may be disposed to sneeze at it as an example of ostentatious vulgarity, or "jingolism in stone."

Yet if you can see it in the sparkling sunshine of an Indian autumn day, fresh washed after the monsoon, and still remain unmoved you will be incredibly difficult to please.

In 1931 its geometrically perfect avenues, vistas, crescents, squares and circles may well have looked forbiddingly harsh, but the fast growing trees of the subtropics have long since softened the lines and angles.

"Town Houses"

Private building has carried on where the Government left off and no small contribution to the splendours of New Delhi has been made by the Indian Princes, whose "town houses" occupied on ceremonial and administrative occasions, reflect the traditional architecture, and also the immense wealth of their states.

A saving grace of New Delhi, denied to "mushroom" growths such as Canberra and Washington, is the close proximity of its parent city and the careful preservation of ancient monuments, striking still in size and beauty, which lie within its boundaries.

No Division

There is, virtually, no dividing line between the old city and the new and even if you elect to jog along behind a depressed-looking pony in one of the two wheeled "tongas" that are

Delhi's staple transport, you can drive from one to the other in a matter of minutes.

Nearly a million people live in Old Delhi, many of them in conditions of picturesque but primitive squalor.

It is a city of narrow lanes and evil smelling alleys, but it is also a city renowned for wealth and craftsmanship.

Its greatest thoroughfare, "Chandni Chowk," the home of the gold and silversmiths, was reputedly the richest in the world when Lombard Street was still a muddy lane.

Here you can listen to the Call to Prayer from the "minar" of the "Jama Masjid," or walk in the historic courts of the Red Fort, once the palace of mighty Shah Jehan and site of the fabled Peacock Throne.

Altogether, yet close at hand, is the original European quarter, with its avistful suggestion of residential Eastbourne. Its 120-year-old church and the graveyard where lie to many who laboured and died that India might be "the brightest jewel in the Imperial crown."

Whatever the rights or wrongs of the matter, most of them, according to their lights, did their best—and it was a pretty good best at that.

In view of recent events the high sounding words of Lord Hardinge, Viceroy in 1911, concerning New Delhi's "permanent, prosperous and glorious future" have a slightly hollow ring.

More apt, perhaps, is the quotation carved above the main entrance to the thousand-roomed Secretariat—"Liberty will not descend to a people, a people must raise themselves to Liberty."

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Take the England professionals playing in the fifth Test Match against South Africa at the moment. They get £60 for the match, plus their rail fare to Leeds and back to the town in which their next county match is being played, plus an allowance of £1 a night towards their hotel expenses.

For four days "work" £60 sounds quite good, but...

Playing for England in a Test (four days) means missing two county matches. Some counties pay their players on a basis of so much for each match. The "so much" varies with the county and the player; averages somewhere around £15 a match. On top of that players miss the bonuses and talent money awarded by some counties.

One county pays its players £2 each for a win and 10s. for first innings points; others give players £2 for a century, £1 for 50, and similar awards for bowling feats.

Another county makes points awards after each match; so many points for a century (or

those things have to come off the £60 playing fee. Some counties, of course, pay a player so much for the season (irrespective of the number of county matches in which he plays), so players from those counties are not so badly affected, though they lose "talent money" opportunities just the same.

Four hundred and fifty pounds a year is somewhere around the average county pay of a cricketer for the season; one county pays as high as £650. So that with five Tests and county bonuses a player on top of his form can make £1,000. But very few do. Like everybody else's salary, of course, this is subject to P.A.Y.E., while a cricket professional's expenses are no small item.

He has to buy all his own equipment—which, under daily use, needs a lot of replacement. One slip on wet grass and bang goes 2s. 9d. at the dry-cleaner's.

Players are public figures. They have to entertain as well as be entertained. Everybody knows that £1 a night doesn't go very far in hotel expenses. Players are continually asked to become members of this club or that organisation. It all costs money in subscriptions and donations.

League cricketers in the north of England are often better off. The star club professionals earn as much as £30 for one match a week, and the hat which goes round for a century or some good bowling often adds as much as £15.

No, there's not much big money in cricket.

Footnote: Test match umpires get £20 and expenses each match; county umpires get £12. The Test scorer gets about £12.

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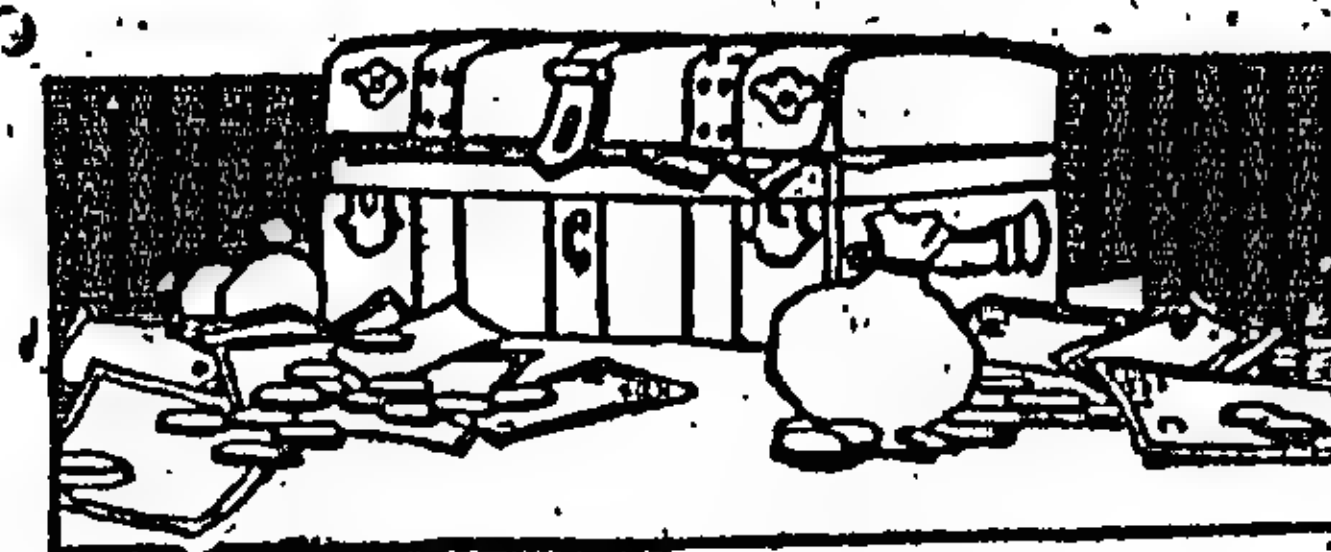
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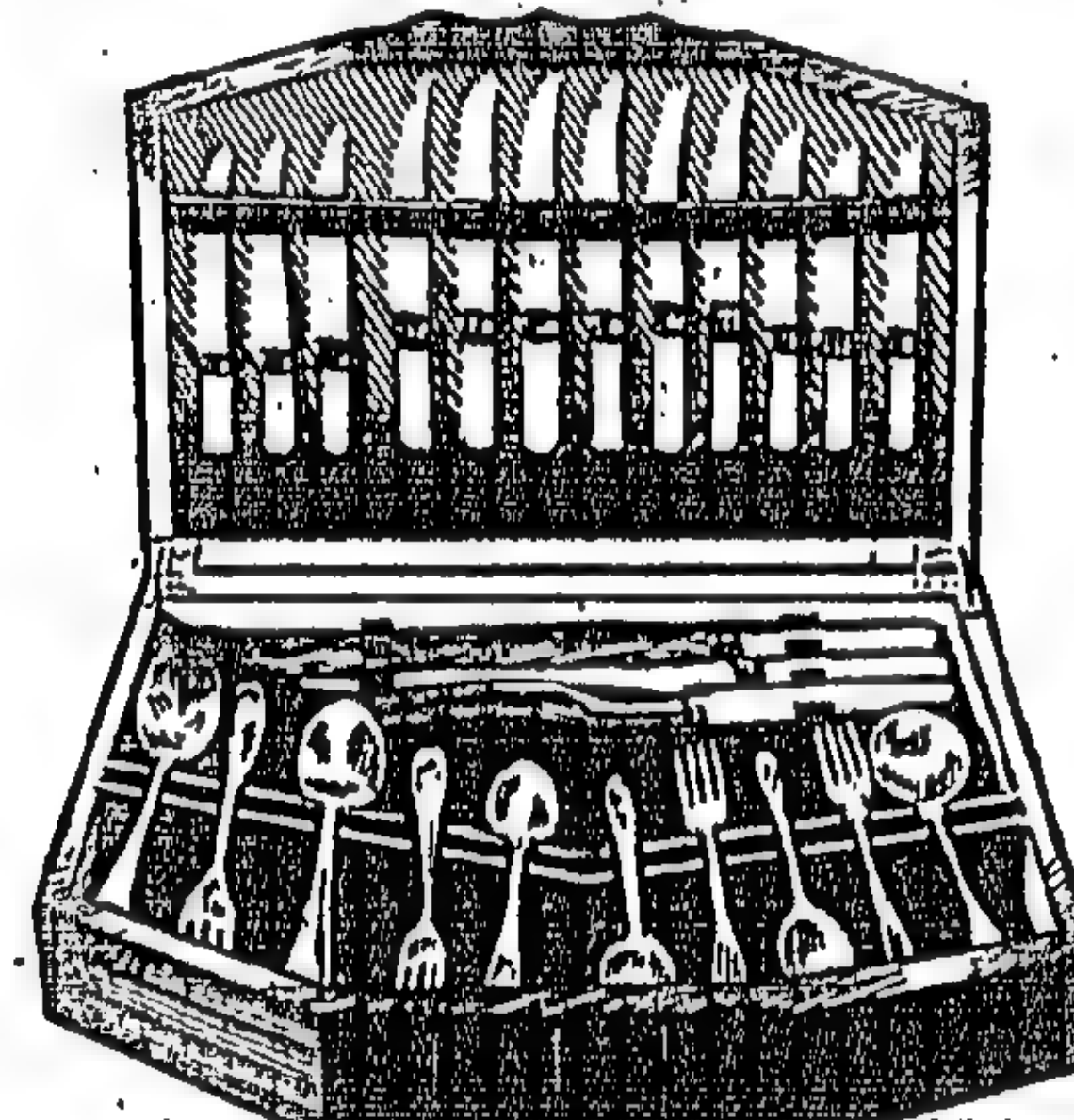
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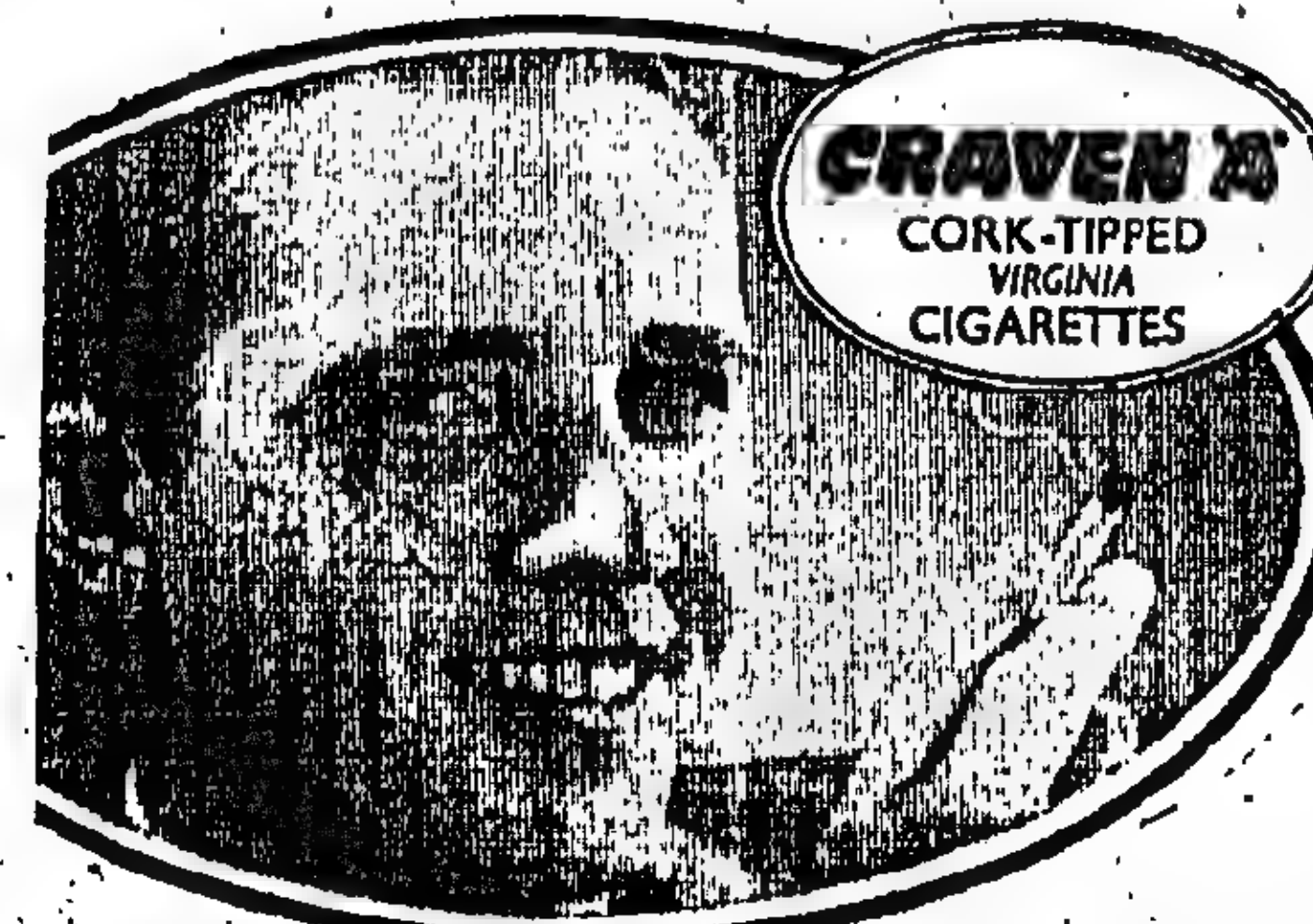
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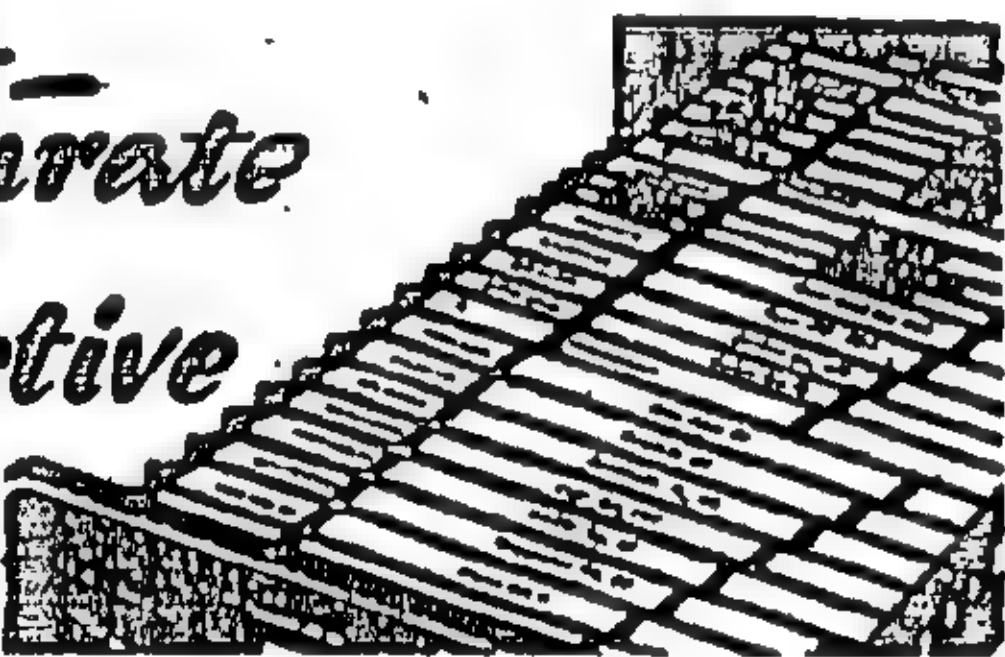
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POLITICAL "LATIN BLOOD" Purpose Of Eva Peron's Tour Of Europe Another Force In World Affairs

Lisbon, Aug. 16.
In diplomatic circles here there is open talk of moves towards the creation of a "Latin Bloc" on the initiative, it is said, of General Peron, President of Argentina. Madame Eva Peron's visit to Europe is believed to have been a great deal more than a personal goodwill tour, and it is significant that both in Madrid and Lisbon the talk of a "Latin Bloc" flared up since she was in those capitals.

Her visit is now thought to be linked with certain projects placed before General Franco early this year by the Argentine Ambassador, Senor Radio, who was sent to Madrid in open defiance of the United Nations' decision to withdraw all heads of diplomatic missions from Spain.

Madame Peron, it is announced, will pay an official visit to Rio de Janeiro on her return from her European trip, which has already included Spain, Italy, France and Portugal, and Switzerland. She is expected also to visit Uruguay before returning to Buenos Aires.

POISON BANQUET

Rangoon, Aug. 16.
An attempt to poison high officers of the People's Volunteer Organisation, military "private army" of the Anti-Fascist Peoples Freedom League, was made last night during a dinner party. Eleven officers collapsed and were rushed to hospital, but all are recovering.—Associated Press.

Jewish D.P.'s For British Labour

Third Force

The ostensible object of the proposed new "Latin Bloc" would be financial and economic. But its underlying purpose would be political, marking out as it would a third force in international politics, distinct in aims and ideology both from the democracies of Northern Europe and North America and from the Soviet group.

Naturally, the so-called Peron Plan makes its greatest appeal in Madrid, where Spain's exclusion from the Paris Conference on the Marshall Plan seemed a final blow to hopes of closer relations with the democracies. General Franco's brother, Nicholas, is understood to be using his considerable influence in Lisbon to secure Portuguese co-operation in the Peron Plan.

Sentiment in Italy is also said to be attracted by the idea of greater independence of the United States and the dollar.—Our Own Correspondent.

Communists Recruiting In Italy

Florence, Aug. 16.
Italians are being recruited in several cities for an International Brigade by an organization headed by Luigi Longo, one of the founders of the Italian Communist Party, and a former Partisan leader.

He is believed to be in close touch with Yugoslav officers. A sum of 10,000 lire (£2) is offered volunteers on signing on, with minimum daily pay of 2,000 lire (£1) plus rations. It is rumoured however that the money will be paid only at the end of service.

The men are taken in sailing vessels across the Adriatic, under cover of night, to Yugoslavia or Albania.

The vessel carries some 350 men, and is also loaded with grain. This is hush-hush news here. Those who cautiously give information bitterly criticize the rapacity of those who export corn at six times the Government price, when Italy faces a hard winter, owing to the worst harvest in six years.—Our Own Correspondent.

Pan-America Defence Conference

Petropolis, Brazil,

August 15.
The preparatory session of the Inter-American defence Conference would open at 12.30 p.m. local time today, after electing the Brazilian Foreign Minister, Senor Raul Fernandes, president of the Conference.

The delegates approved a motion made by Uruguay, seconded by Argentina, that the Conference should call upon both sides in the Paraguayan civil war to settle their differences. This motion will later go for approval by the full Assembly, which was expected to put the weight of the Conference behind the mediation efforts being made by Brazil.

No decision was taken on the case of Nicaragua, whose revolutionary government was not invited to the Conference.—Reuter.

Palestine Terror Attack



This terrorist was killed when he attempted to throw a grenade in Zone B, Jerusalem, where the Royal Hampshire Regiment are accommodated. Behind the body British soldiers search for terrorist suspects. British troops, who suffered no casualties, killed this terrorist and captured two suspects.—Associated Press Photo.

Army On The Rhine To Be Reduced

London, Aug. 15.
The Foreign Office spokesman said today that British occupation troops in Germany were being "redistributed."

He declined to give a direct answer to a question as to whether the forces were being reduced in numbers, but said: "There will be no reduction below the level necessary for the maintenance of law and order without which the Laender (German state) governments would have difficulty in functioning."

British forces in Germany were reported unofficially to total nearly 100,000 men. A reduction had been believed to be imminent ever since the government announced that 200,000 of Britain's 500,000 troops overseas would be brought home in the next eight months to provide manpower for under-manned industry and to reduce dollar expenditure necessary for their supply and maintenance.

Britain was understood to have spent nearly \$80,000,000 for supplies for the occupation forces in Germany and Austria alone in the last fiscal year.—United Press.

Monty's Report

London, Aug. 16.
Authoritative Whitehall information reported today that Viscount Montgomery will place before the Cabinet next week his

Prince Keeps Out Of Red Zone

Berlin, Aug. 15.
Prince Ferdinand Carolath-Schoenaich, son of the ex-Kaiser's widow, Hermine, was conspicuously absent from the funeral service for his mother today and relatives said he was "too broken up by recent happenings." The Prince told the United Press he was afraid to enter the Soviet Zone.

Approximately 100 persons jammed the tiny antique temple of the Hohenzollern family in the grounds of palatial Sans Souci. Only relatives, close friends and some members of the press were permitted to attend. A handful of Russian officers dressed in civilian clothes, also was on hand.

The only near relative present was Princess Carola, Hermine's daughter. Prince Ferdinand's blonde ex-wife, Rosa, was there to see the old one-and-a-half-ton truck, which was the hearse, and six old cars in the funeral procession roll up.

Most of the women present had no stockings.

Will Mystery

The Rev. Herman Willingman performed the services. A petition is being made to take the body to Holland to lie beside that of the ex-Kaiser. Meanwhile, no one was able, or refused, to throw any light upon a possible will which the authorities "want to see." It was known she left a will, according to one source, but "I don't know where it is."

THIRD DEGREE ACCUSATION

Washington, Aug. 15.
The State Department today accused the Rumanian Government of using "third degree" methods to extort confessions from Opposition Party members awaiting trial.

The spokesman added that information reaching the State Department said that over 2,000 National Peasant Party members held in prisons and concentration camps in Bucharest and elsewhere were suffering "inhumanities reminiscent of the darkest pages of the dictatorial regimes of the most backward countries."—Reuter.

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WEAKNESS IN PALESTINE

Events in Palestine—the sudden development of Arab-Jewish clashes and reprisals, chief among them—once more compel attention. When the country's future was referred to U.N.O., a truce was widely anticipated until U.N.O.'s Commission should have given its verdict. For the target of the terrorists' had throughout been Britain, and Britain had virtually thrown in her hand, inviting a free decision by the world authority. No useful influence, it might have been supposed, could be brought to bear on that authority in the interval by continuing to murder Britons and blow up railway trains and pipe lines. But this view has not been taken by the terrorists, nor by those who incite and supply them from the United States. A halt was called for the short period during which U.N.O.'s Commission was in Palestine itself. But as soon as it moved elsewhere the crime-wave recommenced. So did the American-financed attempts to run illegal immigrants into Palestine. These attempts, each of which breaks half-a-dozen laws besides the Palestine immigration law, have been treated throughout with absurd leniency. There seems no reason why everybody exercising any authority on the ships or among the miserable dupes composing their human cargoes should not from the first have been brought to justice, and received a sentence discouraging to imitators. While, however, the terrorists rejected the idea of a truce, the Palestine civil government continued to cling to it. At least that seems the only explanation assignable for the kid-glove restrictions which have limited the British Army's ability to defend itself, or the incredibly weak and fumbling manner in which from first to last the affair of the President Warfield with her 4,500 illegal immigrants was handled. In regard to the two murdered sergeants, several points may be noted. When they were kidnapped, the natural and proper course was to put the whole district (which already had a singularly black record) under the strictest possible martial law, and to keep it so till the men were found or returned. This was not done. Why? Presumably to please the Jewish Agency. Hence, though the men were taken in Nathanya and killed on their way to the neighbourhood during their captivity, they remained in that small area undiscovered. Hundreds of Jews must have had an idea where they were, but none informed, nor did Haganah, the Agency's army, lift any effective finger to stop the tragedy. The whole question of local Jewish responsibility requires to be faced more frankly than it has been. As a rule, when terrorists conduct a murder-campaign, the civil population can be little blamed for withholding information, because, being unorganised individuals, they are at the mercy of the organised gang. That was so in Ireland during the Sinn Fein campaign. But the Palestinian Jews are not unorganised, and they possess in Haganah an instrument capable of putting down both Irgun and the Stern gang tomorrow, if they cared to use it. Instead, we find it in the role of judge and jury in action against Arabs in the Tel-Aviv area, with an open admission that Haganah carried out the execution of four Arabs alleged to have been involved in an earlier incident when Jews were killed by Arabs. At this critical juncture in Palestine's affairs, such an assumption of an arbitrary right to exact vengeance puts on both Haganah and the Jewish Agency a great measure of responsibility. Statements like the one issued by the Agency in Jerusalem on the cowardly slaying

OUR RELATIONS WITH AMERICA

By Scrutator

The saving of freedom and progress in the world lies with two countries—the United States and Great Britain. Others may make precious contributions; France, Italy, the smaller Western nations, the British Dominions, and, ultimately, it must be hoped, India and China. But none of them could stand without us and America; and America herself could not eventually stand without us.

Therefore, amid all the talk about U.N.O. or the Marshall plan or the Paris reply or any other many-nationed proposition, it is as well not to lose sight of that on which all else hinges—viz., the direct relations between Britain and the United States. How do those relations stand today? The answers will fall under two headings—political and economic. But these cannot be sharply separated.

Politically we have much ground for satisfaction. The thing to be feared, when the war finished, was that America would repeat the fatal mistake which she made after the first war—succumb to a swing-back of her pendulum into isolationism, and "draw out" from Europe. Towards the end of 1945, when "Bring the boys home" became the slogan on American platforms, this very nearly happened. But early in 1946, and in part through Mr. Bevin's remarkable stand at U.N.O., the eyes of the American people were opened. They saw that they could not afford to leave Europe; and they saw too that Great Britain, some of whose policies had till then incurred much misunderstanding and irresponsible criticism in the United States, had in fact been standing up to the real danger more effectively than they. It was not till twelve months later that President Truman, taking over from Great Britain the defence of Greece and Turkey against Russian imperialism, established the closest parallelism of policy between the two Governments.

Economically the story has been more chequered. The war left America in a very favourable economic position, and Britain in a very unfavourable one. American credits in some form were needed for British recovery; and so there came to be negotiated in 1945 the famous loan, which in 1946, after not a little opposition, was carried through Congress. Because it was for a much larger sum than was lent to any other country, the Americans regarded it as generously on their part. But they attached to it very severe conditions.

One of them provided for the convertibility (after a date which is now past) of sterling obligations (other than those "arising out of military expenditure") into dollars. Another gave America the benefit of a stringency most-favoured-nations clause, which forbids us to restrict imports from the United States unless we restrict imports from other countries in the same proportion. Thus, if, for instance, we lack the dollars to buy American tobacco, we cannot make up by buying cotton, tobacco from sterling countries.

Both conditions now hit us hard. The one which prevents us from establishing any quantitative control of imports adverse to the United States affects us in the most lopsided way. Suppose, for instance, that in one of our Dominions people want to sell us a line of goods which we should like to buy and could pay for in sterling. We cannot buy it unless we are equally prepared to buy American goods of the same class and pay dollars for them out of the loan.

There is talk of relaxing this last constraint, not indeed for the Dominions, but for the dependent parts of the Empire. It would not be a question of altering the agreement, but of "re-interpreting" it into what a layman might have been expected to think its natural sense. Yet even this "re-interpretation" is still only in the air, and, as Mr. Marshall has had to explain, unconfirmed.

Yet another sphere in which economic adjustments between ourselves and America are still to seek, is Germany. True, the economic fusion of the British and American Zones might have seemed to provide the solution. But its scope is limited, and though agreed so long ago the Americans have only recently let it come into full effect. The present rather better bread situation in the British Zone seems due to their recent fuller co-operation; but it has to be

PERSONALLY SPEAKING

BY MARGARET BRADBURY

A postwar feeling of civic-mindedness is undoubtedly growing strongly among the majority of women in the Colony to-day. Following swiftly on the heels of the "We want to be jurors" organisation, a Women's Council was formed just over a week ago. It is now planning to launch a full scale programme to better conditions and social welfare for all. With Mrs. W. L. Calcroft and Mrs. Lambert Kwok at the head of this Council, the Colony can look forward to some interesting developments in the form of recommendations to be made to the Government on some of our most pressing problems—housing, health and education.

Many people who pass in and out of Hong Kong on their travels comment on the stable state of affairs in the Colony compared with the atmosphere prevailing in many other spots in the Far East. The Hong Kong Government and people have made a good job of their rehabilitation programme, except perhaps in the case of BZW—the Colony's radio station. This organisation works on a hand to mouth basis and if it is compared with the radio network of other Colonies it should bow its head in shame. I wonder whether Government realise what an excellent mouth-piece for the British way of thinking and living BZW could be in the Far East. Then perhaps people in other parts of Asia could "tune in" to Hong Kong and receive first hand information revealing what we are doing and how we have managed to remain one of the few free thinking and speaking spots in this part of the world.

Quite a lot of people in the Colony feel there are a number of things wrong with the Hong Kong Police Force. While the new Commissioner, Mr. D. W. Macintosh and his officers are undoubtedly working very hard and are enthusiastic, they do need more material and practical support from the Government. A few points which Government might consider with a view to building up an efficient police force are—a complete revision of the working methods; more training; the introduction of fresh blood, and more courses.

Dr. Sun Fo, China's Vice-President, who arrived here on Wednesday has received quite a heartening reception from mixed quarters in the Colony. To Government House as the guest of Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham went Dr. Sun on Wednesday, while on Thursday he was the guest at a Chinese reception in the Hong Kong Hotel. A short, plump gentleman of serious mien, Dr. Sun Fo explained the reason for his visit, to spend birthday celebrations with his aged mother. His native village incidentally, is Chungshan, adjacent to Macao.

Mrs. Dawson-Grove, wife of Dr. A. W. Dawson-Grove, left yesterday in the Hanyang on a round sea trip to Tientsin. Dr. Dawson-Grove is at the present time away on a trip to Japan.

Mrs. Wallace Harper and her 17-1/2 years old daughter Phyllis, are leaving Hong Kong by sea for America on the 24th of this month. Mrs. Harper is visiting the U.S. for a short holiday while Phyllis is returning to school. Since her arrival in Hong Kong on the 18th July, to visit her parents here Phyllis has found life quite full and interesting. Her social appearances included being bridesmaid at the recent wedding of Collin Luscombe of the H.K. Police.

To join her husband in Hong Kong, Mrs. V. Leslie, attractive brunette wife of Capt. V. Leslie of Cathay Pacific Airways, arrived here from Australia with her two daughters on Tuesday. This is Mrs. Leslie's first visit to Hong Kong. Capt. Leslie is now facing the same problem as a large number of other married men in the Colony whose families have recently arrived—that of finding a flat without pandering to the local key money racket.

Mr. J. K. Raikes of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank, Bombay, arrived in the Colony on Friday in the "Eang" and will be leaving shortly for a new post in New York. Mr. Raikes has spent many years in the Far East and is well known in Shanghai and Singapore as well as Hong Kong.

Miss Friend, who has been attached to the W.V.S. in Hong Kong for some time, left yesterday on the "Menelaus" for Singapore en route to England. Miss Friend intends to spend a month in Malaya before proceeding home. Mrs. H. C. Brown who has been residing at the Gloucester Hotel for the past two months, also left for Singapore yesterday on the "Menelaus".

Mrs. A. K. Murray and her two young daughters arrived in Hong Kong on Thursday afternoon in the "Scythia" from England. Mrs. Murray and family are on their way to Shanghai where Mr. Murray is with the Kailan Mining Administration.

Wing Commander Green-slade, former resident of Tientsin, where he was attached to the Police Force, arrived here on the "Menelaus" and left yesterday for Tientsin in the "Hanyang".

Mr. E. R. Duckett, Shanghai sports enthusiast, arrived here on Friday and left for England by R.O.A.C. yesterday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Jordan arrived here yesterday from Shanghai by C.N.A.C. and left this morning for Singapore by B.O.A.C. en route to Australia. Mr. Jordan was in charge of the American Joint Distribution Committee in Shanghai which has been looking after the Jewish displaced persons in Shanghai.

Mr. and Mrs. Yon Tseng are leaving the Colony on their way to Lisbon by the "Scythia". Mr. Tseng is attached to the Chinese diplomatic service and he is proceeding to Lisbon to take up his appointment there. Mr. and Mrs. Tseng recently arrived in Hong Kong from Nanking. Incidentally, the "Scythia", which was expected to leave on the 20th will not be sailing until Friday, the 22nd. On board will be a number of Chinese students on their way to England for education under the sponsorship of the British Council and the Boxer Trustees.

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MEN, WOMEN AND MEMORIES

By ATTICUS

Glennalmond, the Scottish public school which Gladstone helped to found, has just celebrated its centenary. The Queen's visit was very much more informal than was reported in the English Press. In fact, it was probably the most informal ever paid by Royalty to any school.

Her Majesty did not lunch in the Warden's house. She shared the boys' midday dinner in the school dining hall, was waited on by the boys and afterwards had coffee alone with the prefects in their room. The Queen did more to make her visit memorable to the present generation. In a gracious speech—in front of the boys—she requested the Warden to give them an extra week's holiday in honour of the centenary, and the Warden, who is a courtier as well as a great head-

master, granted it, not for the centenary, but in honour of Her Majesty's visit.

Changes in Germany

I learn from a reliable source that Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir Sholto Douglas will relinquish his post as Commander-in-Chief and Military Governor of Germany early in October. It may safely be assumed that he will be succeeded by General Sir Brian Robertson. The change will bring the British form of administration in Germany into line with that of the United States.

Sir Sholto has had a most distinguished career. He won an M.C. in the first world war as a fighter pilot. Then for a short time he left the Service and became a civil pilot engaged on the London-Paris line. Fortunately for his country he soon returned to the R.A.F. and was reinstated without loss of seniority. His war record as C-in-C. Fighter Command, and subsequently Coastal Command, speaks for itself.

A Soldier's Foresight

Although few Service chiefs can handle Ministers with the same tact and skill, he was perhaps out of his element in Germany. During his period of command the British and American Zones were fused. It is perhaps a pity that they were not combined from the beginning.

I remember lunching with General Bedell Smith, Eisenhower's Chief of Staff, in the spring of 1944. He did not talk much of the problems of D-day. He was preoccupied by the decision of the politicians to divide Germany into zones. He was opposed to the decision, insisted vehemently on the necessity of maintaining Anglo-American intervention, and pointed out that the Russians would play the Americans against the British and vice-versa, and that by playing all these in turn against each other, the only winners in the long run must be the Germans.

On that occasion, at least "apocryphal" how American Ambassador in Moscow, had more foresight than the politicians.

Post For Mr. Maskey?

From sources close to Moscow I learn that the Kremlin's candidate for the post of Ambassador

to India is none other than Mr. Ivan Maskey who was for so many years Russian Ambassador in London. Subject to the limitations of any Soviet Ambassador, I have always regarded Mr. Maskey as not unfriendly to this country.

Brought up in Siberia, he has an encyclopaedic knowledge of the East and has, indeed, a marked Mongolian appearance. I remember Lord Beaverbrook once twitting him during the recent war. "Maskey," he said, "you must have Chinese blood in your veins." Not to be outdone, Mr. Maskey replied at once—incidentally quite untruthfully—"I have, and I am very proud indeed to share the blood of the most civilised race in the world."

Belgrade To Burma

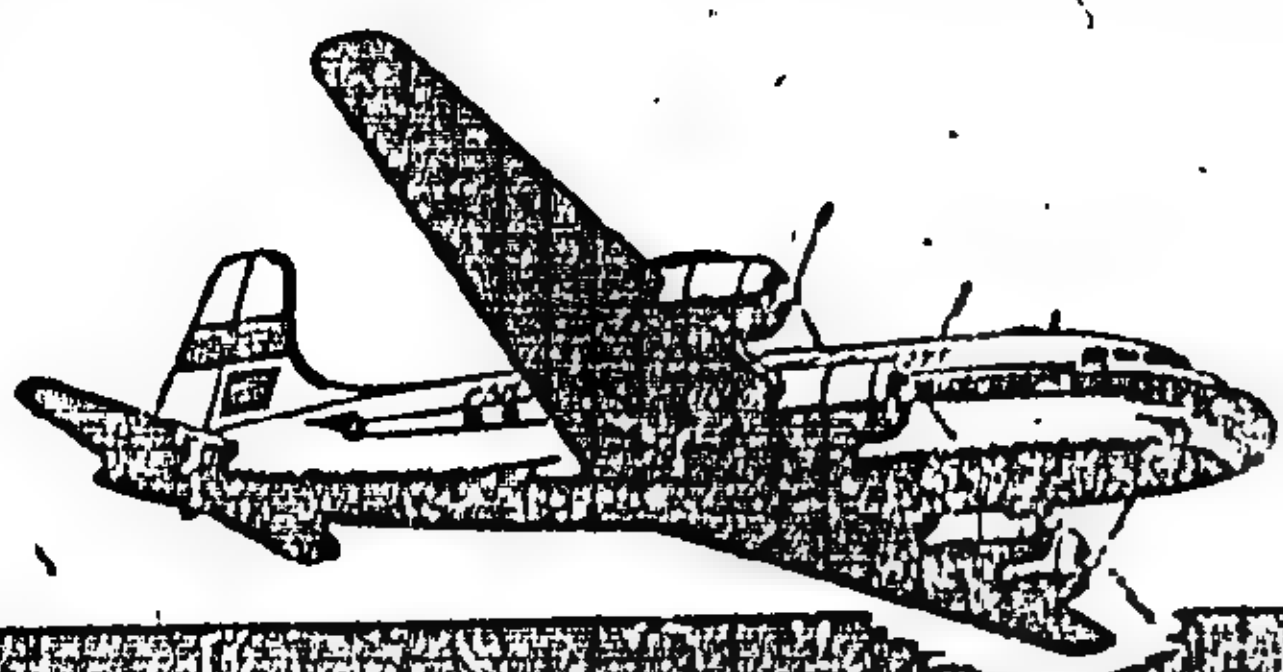
There is a parallel—and a lesson—to be drawn from the Burma assassinations. I was in Jugoslavia on June 20, 1928. The heat was tropical. The Skupshchina, the Jugoslav Parliament, was having one of its usual storm sittings when suddenly a supporter of the Government, Mr. Punic Raich, drew a revolver and shooting across the floor, picked off five leading members of the Opposition. He killed two and wounded three, including Mr. Stefan Radic, the Croat leader.

Mr. Punic Raich, who had a bad record for violence, got off with a comparatively light sentence. The Government did not dare to enforce the supreme penalty, for a few days before, a Government newspaper had published an article declaring that "with swine one must speak like swine" and stating that the only remedy for an impossible situation would be to kill the two leading Croats in one day.

The lesson is that, whereas we rightly consider that the Anglo-American form of democracy is the best form of government for the English-speaking world, we are woefully wrong in assuming that it can be applied with success to countries which are centuries behind us in political development.

Baller Russo

I extend my warmest welcome to Mr. Tatiana Rialushnikova, who has come back to London. (Continued on Page 9)



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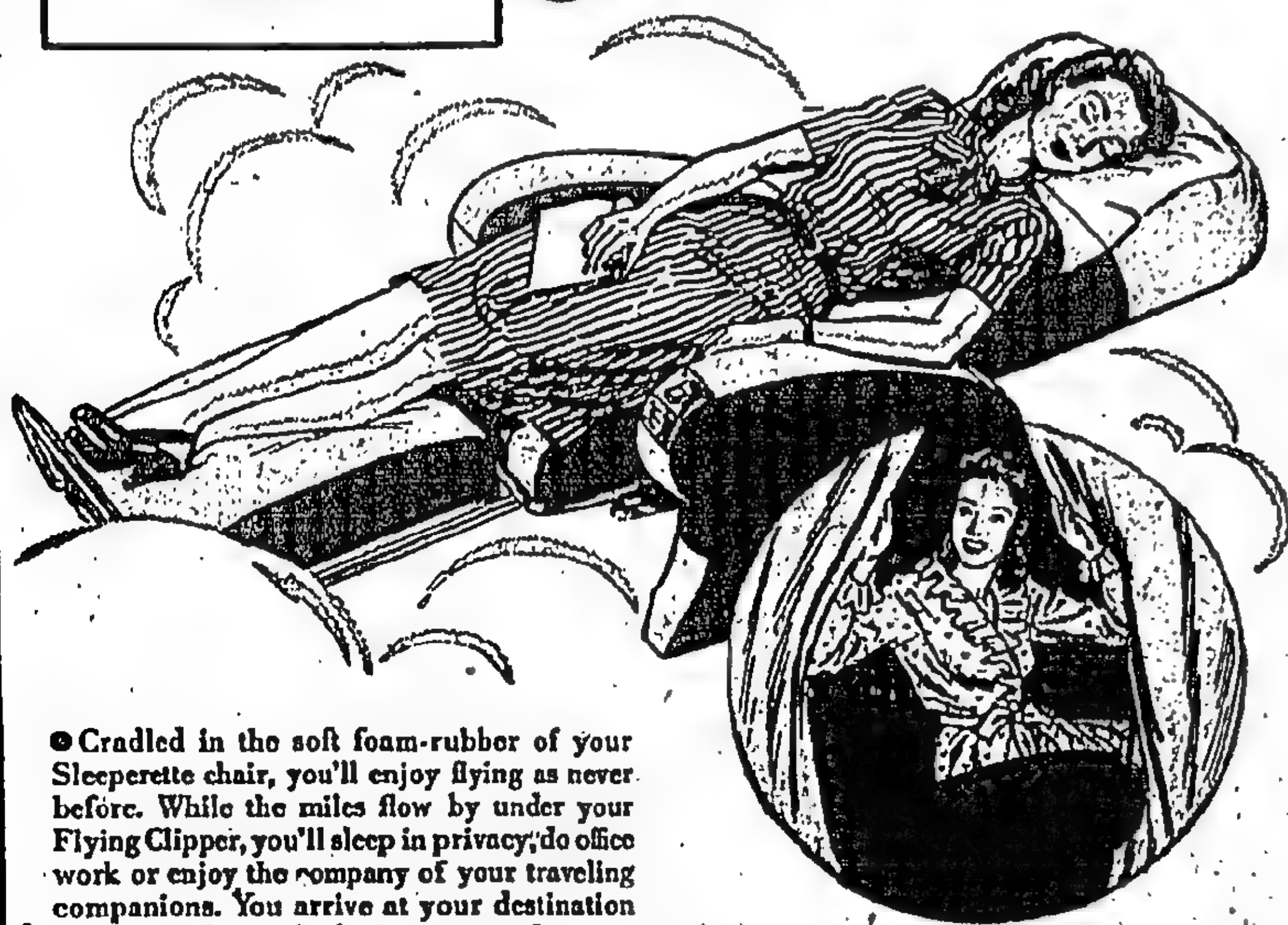
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"RUSSIA PLANNING TO TAKE OVER THE WHOLE WORLD"

Call For Showdown By Congressman

New York, Aug. 16.

Chairman Charles Eaton of the Foreign Affairs Committee of the United States House of Representatives, in a signed article in the August issue of American Magazine, says:

"Today it is clearly evident to anyone who is not mentally blind that Russia is planning to take over the world."

Eaton calls for a "showdown" between the United States and the Soviets and declared that

"even though we have demobilized much of our military manpower and junked our planes, we are still strong enough to tell Russia where to head in."

"Russia has shown very clearly what course she intends to take," says the New Jersey Republican Congressman. "She intends to take Europe, then the world. Our freedom and security are in jeopardy."

It is Eaton's belief that the United States "can put Russia in her place now, without resorting to force. We must do it, or give her the sceptre. If she doesn't give in and behave like a civilized nation, we must read Russia out of the United Nations and proceed without her—we and the rest of the world citizens who want peace and freedom."

An Outcast

"Once kicked out of decent society, Russia must either seek to regain good standing or be disciplined by the military action of the union of decent nations. She will become an outcast and an outlaw in the eyes of the world. I doubt whether any nation can long endure such ostracism and moral isolation."

Eaton said he still believes "we can block Russia with psycho-logy." However, "if we don't," he said, "we must defeat her by force of arms. It is time we told her so."—Associated Press.

Men, Women And Memories

(Continued from Page 8)

With the Russian ballet as a matured ballerina now fit to rank with Pavlova and Karsavina.

Her father, Michael Riabushinski, was one of a band of brothers who with their banking and industrial interests formed probably the richest family in Tsarist Russia. Michael Riabushinski had a magnificent house in Moscow, where during the first world war he entertained the British representatives most royally, and I remember dandling Tatiana on my knee when she was a baby.

Then came the Revolution, and the Riabushinski fortunes vanished into thin air, and Michael Riabushinski and his family fled abroad. But Michael Riabushinski, a member of the Old Faith in Russia—which is akin in its strictness to the old Wee Free in Scotland—had married a dancer from the Moscow ballet.

Old Faith eyebrows went up, but Mme. Riabushinskaya was a remarkable Russian woman who showed her best—and it was a great best—in adversity. She taught her daughter to dance; as Tatiana improved, the mother engaged the best teachers. She lived long enough to see the partial triumph of her teaching. Thanks to her mother, Tatiana has today achieved a fame more enduring and, I think, more satisfactory than the monetary successes of her father and uncles.

Captured By The Dutch



The caption for this Dutch official picture just received from Batavia states that these are captured Indonesian machine gunners still carrying their belts of ammunition. In background is a Dutch soldier. Man on right is described as a native mercenary.—Associated Press Photo.

Abd El Krim Breathe Defiance At Frances

Cairo, Aug. 16.

Emir Abd El Krim, the exiled Riff warrior, says he is certain to lead his tribesmen against the French Army once more unless the United Nations achieves independence for Northwest Africa.

"In my opinion the United Nations is a government over the whole world," the 64-year-old Nationalist told the Associated Press in an exclusive interview.

"It should carry its responsibilities in the maintenance of peace and security. If the United Nations fails to carry its responsibilities, our swords will be the arbiters."

Abd El Krim surprised the world between 1926 and 1931 with his stubborn campaigns against the Spanish and French in

Morocco. Recently he and his family of 40 emerged from 21 years exile on Reunion Island, in the Indian Ocean. They were en route to a new exile on the French Riviera when they left their ship suddenly in Egypt and were granted refuge by King Farouk. Since then the old warrior has rested in a hospital at Alexandria, conferred with other advocates of independence from the Arabic-speaking people of North Africa, and established his residence in a Cairo villa.—Associated Press.

IRGUN PLOT IN EUROPE

London, Aug. 16.

The Prague Communist newspaper, Rude Pravo reported today that four members of the Palestine Jewish terrorist organization, Irgun Zvai Leumi, had prepared a bomb attack on the European Zionist Congress now meeting in Karlovy, Prague Radio said.

Rude Pravo said that the terrorists had intended to bomb the hotel during the opening meeting of the Congress there.

Four terrorists were arrested, the paper said.—Reuter.

BRITISH FILMS IN SOUTH AMERICA

New York, Aug. 16.

Four British films head a list of eleven with which British films magnate Mr. J. Arthur Rank's major American co-operating distribution agency, Eagle-Lion Films, will make its South American debut. It is announced here.

Eagle-Lion offices, beginning at Mexico City this month will be opened in capital cities in Cuba, Brazil, Chile, Peru, Uruguay, Colombia, Venezuela, and Panama.

Six American and one Mexican will share South American openings with the British films "Bedelia," "The Adventurers," "Caravan" and "Green for Danger"—Our Own Correspondent.

WAINRIGHT TO RETIRE

Beverly Hills, Calif.,

August 15.

Gen. Jonathan Wainright, 64, who was imprisoned by the Japanese after he surrendered the American forces on Batavia, announced today he will retire at the end of this month after 45 years of army service.

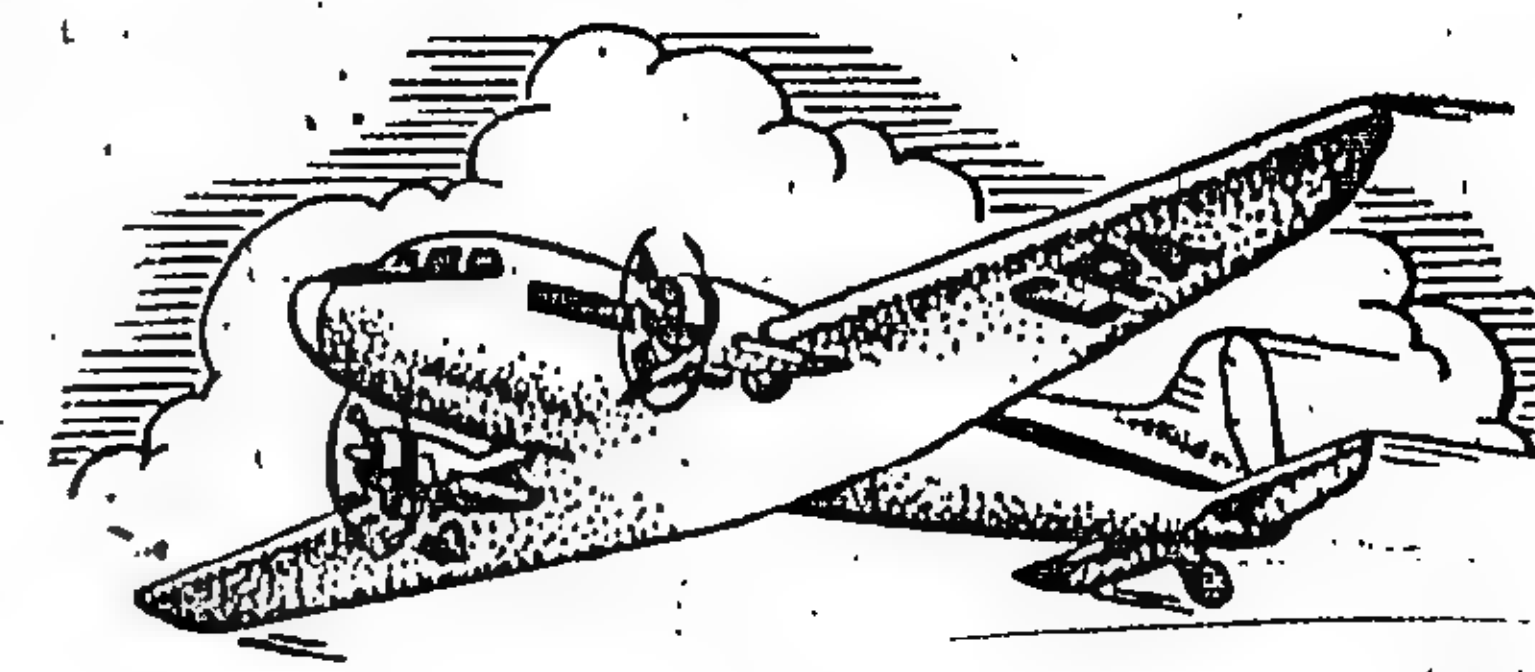
His announcement came at the end of a VJ-Day address. He said: "This will be the last VJ-Day I will celebrate as a professional soldier."

The general said the armed forces merger bill lessened the likelihood of another war for the United States.—United Press.

TAYLOR MISSION TO VATICAN

Washington, Aug. 16.

President Truman announced today that Myron C. Taylor is en route to Rome as the President's personal representative to confer with Pope Pius XII on world peace.—Associated Press.



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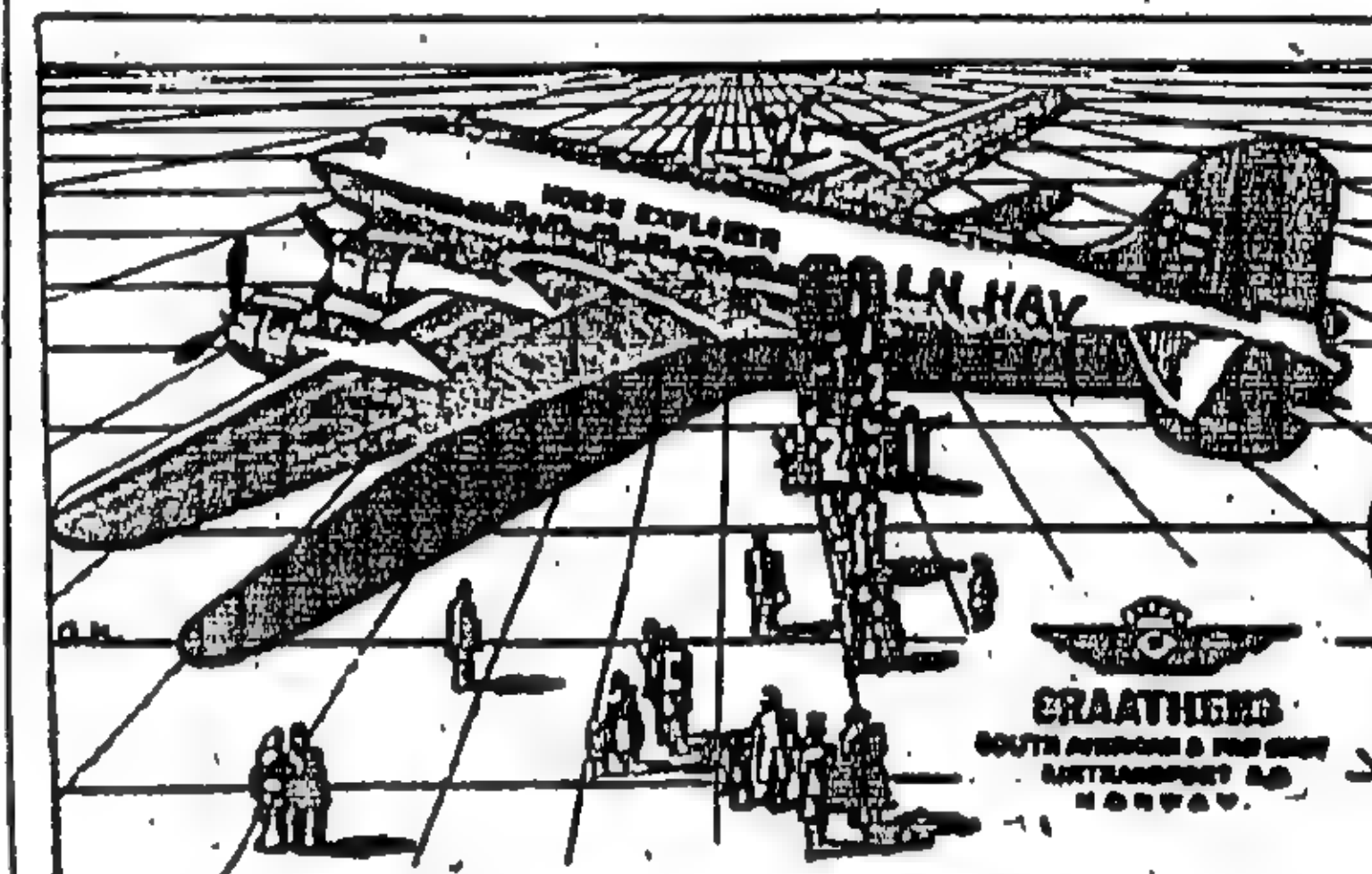
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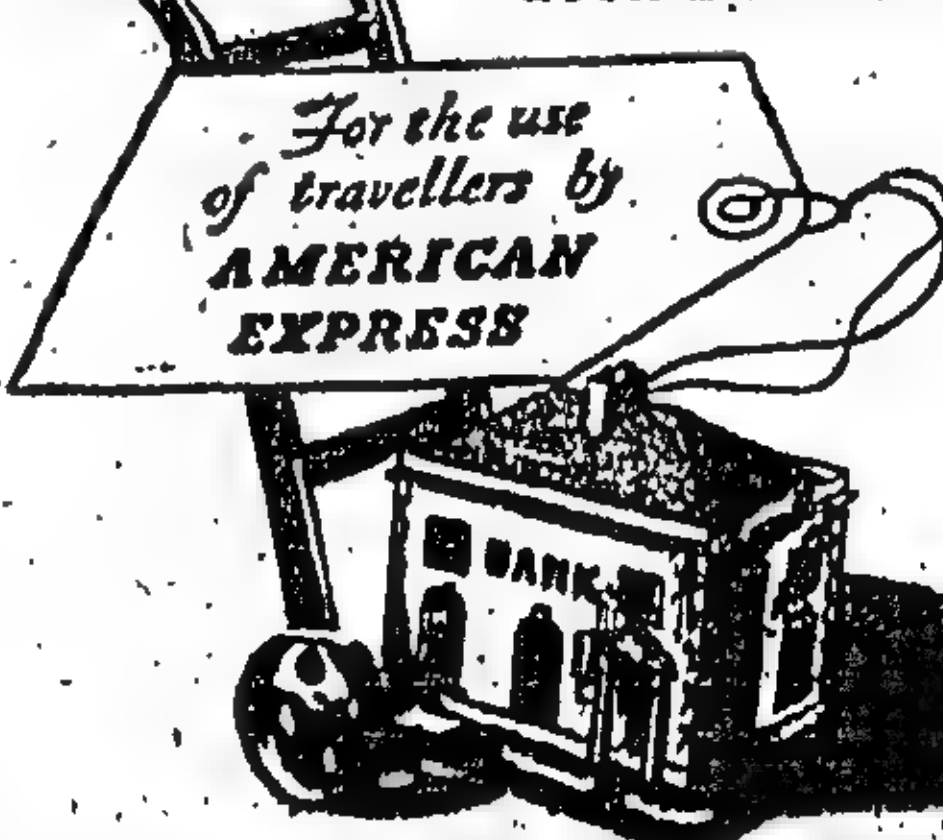
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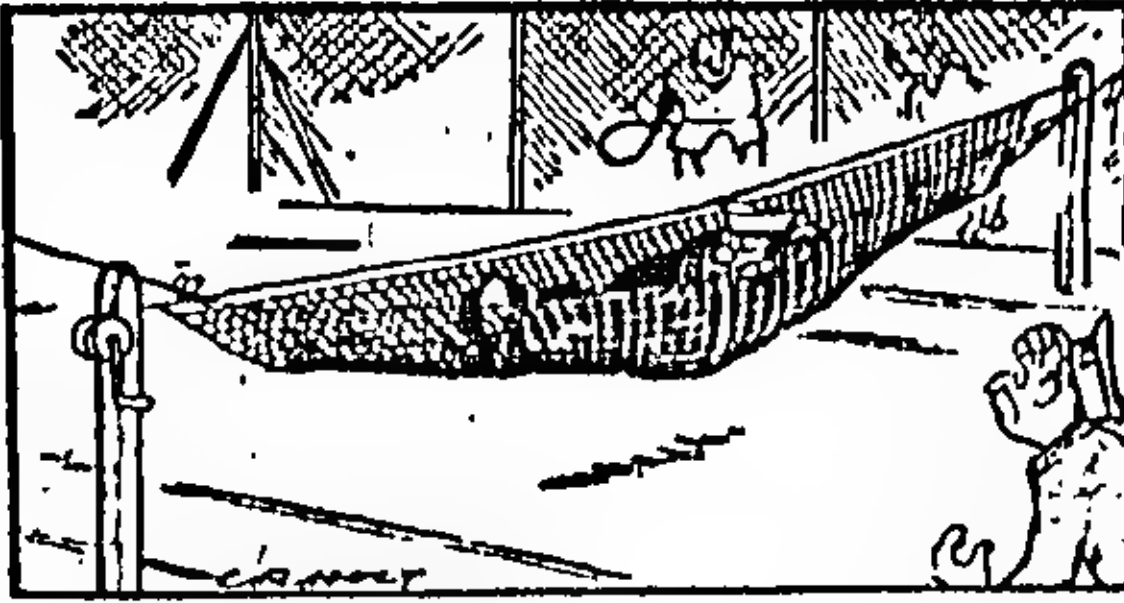
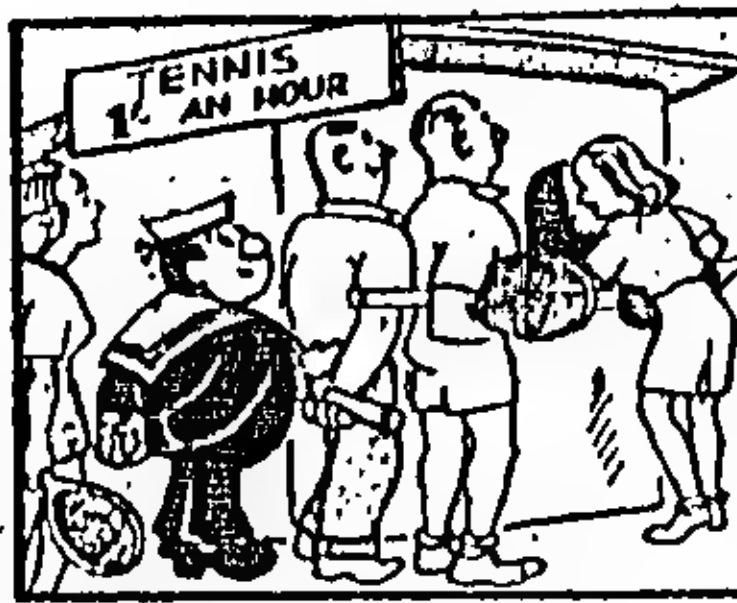
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ABLE SEAMAN



A MERE MAN EXAMINES NEW SEASON'S FASHIONS.

This article should be written by a woman. It is about the fashioning the dress designers have in store for women this coming autumn and winter.

I repeat it should be written by a woman. It is not.

"For if women dress to please men," I said to myself, "then women should choose the fashions men like. The clothes men like are the clothes women should wear."

"Therefore I would take the man's eye view (and my courage in both hands) and go through the dress shows. Shows that three times a day for the past six days have been staged by London's leading designers."

Even though I have spent some years in utter seclusion with Men Alone I took some time to persuade myself to play the lead in "One Hundred Girls and a Man." I took the taxi to Mayfair filled with foreboding. I entered with

awe the portals of the pink-brick Georgian mansion. For a male, a dress establishment is not only highly-charged with beauty and mystery. It is one big unexplored minefield of embarrassment.

Very Easy

I knew one rule. I knew that the first rule at golf is the first rule at dress shows. Keep your eye on the ball. Keep your eye on

By Richard Viner

the dresses. Never mind about the mannequins. I also knew that, as at golf, so at dress shows. It is very easy to lift your head.

Fortunately, the mannequins at some leading houses look through the spectators. Elsewhere they quite often smile at you. That raises quite another set of rules. Should one or should one not smile back?

But to facts. Well, girls, I have

to report, if you will excuse the unwelcome familiarity, that after 15 hours' close observation of some 100 models your knees have had it.

The new skirt length covers them completely. Thank goodness. It is 18 inches from the ground, or with greater biological exactitude, and allowing for fluctuating figures, about two

inches below the base of the knee-cap. It is charming. It has dignity and poise. And by the time every woman in the country has adopted it, it will take up an extra 2,000,000 yards of material.

Rediscovery of the Hip

To a man a woman's dress is either long or short, cut high or low and has a colour. I know that is no good to a woman. She wants technical details. Consequently, I must report Captain Molyneux' rediscovery of the hip. Wherever hips have been all these years he has taken them out of store and put them back where they belong. He's also padded them in order to give that wasp-waist effect that your grandmother attained by tight-lacing.

What nearly provoked this innocent observer into a low whistle of delight—hasily converted into a nervous cough—were the skirts. Skirts? They're cascades. They're Niagara Falls. But very neat, orderly falls. In a word, they're pleaded. Unpressed box pleats they called them.

I recorded—with assistance—one number in mist-blue tweed that had small box pleats down the front and double size box pleats down the back. Which may mean when you're not wearing it you'll be ironing it. But that won't be my worry. I thought them delightful. And technically, don't they flatter you by flattening you?

Dignity With Dash

Colours were black, grey, brown, beige and various checks. Materials were mostly woollen fabrics. There was one number all secretaries and office girls might jump to. It was a black woollen jacket with a pleated skirt worn with a lovely blouse in cerise crepe or what I'd call carnation red. Dignity with just a touch of dash.

With all these models there was a feature that women sometimes envy about men's clothes. To a man's eye none of them seemed likely to go out of fashion for years. They tell me that is the genius of the designer. It is certainly a saving in coupons.

After what I've said about the Molyneux pleats you might think you could never dare show up without one. Not at all. As in Mayfair so at Westminster, as with dressmakers so with politicians, there are always several points of view. At Norman Hartnell's not a pleat could I find. No fullness, no pleats, the skirts of the day dresses had a pencil-line simplicity from waist to hem. Here no rigid views are held about length, though all the skirts are well below knee-level. Down to about mid-calf or bottom of calf. So there's no denying they're down.

Some of the models require an expert technical description quite beyond my powers. But women will understand when I speak of an afternoon dress in red patterned silk with a flared peplum.

The Peplum Sticks Out

Peplum isn't in my Oxford dictionary, and all I can say for any man who's read this far is that it sticks out to one side at the waist like a one-winged sea-gull.

The evening dresses carry you back into a world of hansom cabs, top hats, white ties and tails. A decorous mixture of Fred Astaire and the Jersey Lily. Crinolines, full-skirted frocks of tulle and crepe showered with sprays of sparkling sequins. What you do when catching the last bus home I wouldn't know. Dial 999 I suggest.

What six Stafford Cripps will be losing in the length of the day skirt he can pick up on the shoulders of the evening gowns. There aren't any. They are either off the shoulder or nearly off altogether. That is, topless. A fashion I am a little dubious about. It's all very well for Margaret Lockwood at screen range. But how many shoulders can stand up to the pitiless ordeal of the close-up?

However, as if to meet this criticism smart little packets have been designed to wear with the topless frocks. I am appalled. What I like about the close-fitting evening frocks is a sudden foam of frills at one side of the bottom of the skirt. Technically described as a "flair." I like to call it a furbelow. ("Look, dear, there's a furbelow close behind us!")

BRIDGE

By YARBOROUGH

East and West had no score while North and South were game and 40 points up when East after two passes opened the bidding with One Diamond on the hand below in a recent rubber at the Portland Club.

South bid Two Clubs. West passed. North bid Two Hearts. East bid Three Diamonds because North's Two Hearts suited for game and rubber. South bid Four Clubs, which West doubled and all passed. West led the Jack of Diamonds, and now the reader should form his own plan of play.

S Q 8 x
H K Q 10 9
D 10 x x
C x

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H x x x x
D J
C 9 7 6 x x

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D K Q 8 7 x
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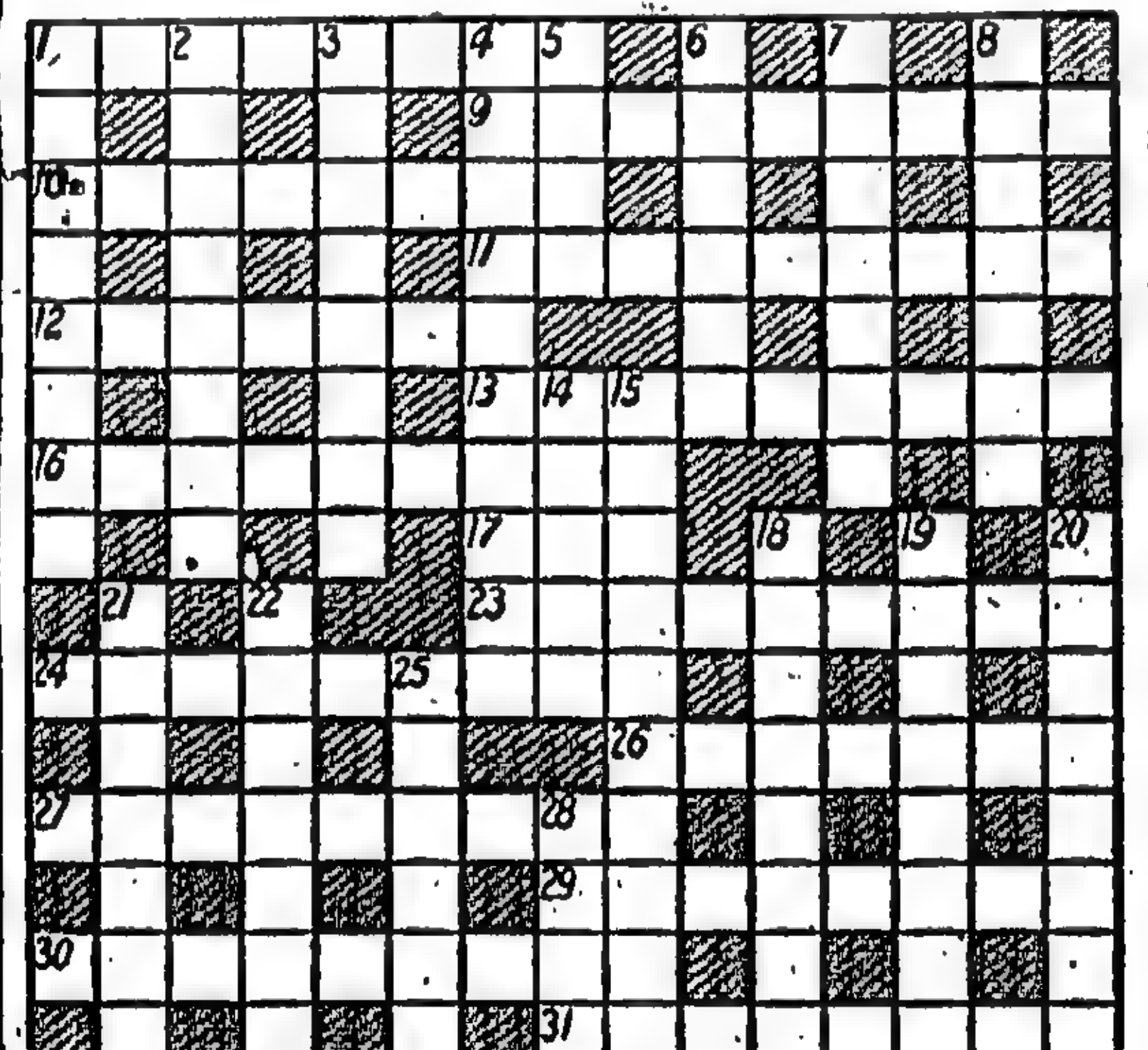
It was clear from East's bidding that the Jack of Diamonds must be a singleton. It was also clear that, after taking the Jack of Diamonds with the Ace, South must lose two tricks in Diamonds and the Ace of Hearts and no doubt one trick at least in Clubs. This was one trick more than South could afford. He therefore made the brilliant play of ducking the opening lead, thereby forcing West to change the lead. It was a case of "duck or no dinner?" A Heart to the Queen and Ace followed at Trick 2. At Trick 3 the King of Diamonds covered by the Ace was ruffed by West.

Note that West sacrificed a trick, through shortening his trumps by this ruff. At Trick 4 a Heart was led to the King, on which South threw his losing Diamond. At Trick 5 a Club was led, dropping East's King. Four more leads of Clubs exhausted West's trumps. The two long Clubs and the three top Spades took the last five tricks to complete the 10 tricks required for the contract.

East's bid of Three Diamonds marked him with all the missing high cards as well as all the missing Diamonds after West led the Jack. How many declarers would have foreseen the further play (including the probable switch to Hearts at Trick 2) sufficiently clearly to have ducked the opening lead of a Diamond with the certainty of the Ace being ruffed later?

The Sunday Herald Prize Crossword NO. 17

- | Across | Down |
|---|--|
| 1 At home nobody comes between him and you. (4, 4, 9) | 1 This condition shows lack of feeling. (8) |
| 10 I'm a cannal; and that's mad. (8) | 2 He retreated to the sea. (5) |
| 11 Jane Austen's South Coast resort. (4, 5) | 3 Everyday authors. (8) |
| 12 Up in air, maybe. (7) | 4 This will make the lanes solid. (2, 3, 5) |
| 13 It's against the grain, as it were, to withstand such a blow. (9) | 5 It's only to me. (4) |
| 16 A team below full strength? (6, 4) | 6 This one word may prevent division. (6) |
| 17 Animal known as John to the lawyers. (3) | 7 Desired articles. (7) |
| 23 The lad with a message starts to go wrong. (6, 3) | 8 It's stuff they wear. (7) |
| 24 The place sold is a ruin. (9) | 14 Are about the same, in short. (5) |
| 25 This garment should provide complete cover. (7) | 15 Long, welder who won't make good. (10) |
| 27 That which regulates open spaces? (6, 3) | 16 Fasten a mountain up in the waiting room. (8) |
| 29 Wordsworth preferred them at a distance. Keats quite out of hearing. (8) | 19 The Romans know it in absolute form. (8) |
| 30 Dance after dismissal, like a fish. (6, 3) | 20 These travellers are not persons of an immense age. (8) |
| 31 A steamship full of wood. (8) | 21 A card game to a Scot; is the result wise? (7) |
| | 22 Birds are in it, in the fruit era. (7) |
| | 25 An effort with a utensil near the kitchen. (6) |
| | 28 Me as is a cricketer. (4) |



SOLUTION TO No. 16—Across: 1 Icarus; 5 Sir Upon; 10 Hospital Patient; 11 Nolls; 12 Ga; 13 Minor Part; 17 Elms; 19 As Encounter; 23 Torment; 24 Endu. Down: 2 Castles in the Air; Title Page; 7 Prosent Laughter; 8 buncle; 16 Roast Meat; 18 Mean Round.

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Watch now for the HOUR-GLASS FIGURE

THE hour-glass figure is stepping out of the portrait gallery and family album to play an important part in the tailored autumn fashions of 1947. To be really elegant in the new clothes thin waists are essential, so too to those extra inches you've ignored in recent years.

At one dress show, suits and dresses had tightly nipped-in waists accentuated by stiffened swathed or corset belts. Corsets padded the hips of jackets and skirts, and some skirts had stiffened petticoats of canvas. Bodices had soft shoulders, wide armholes and full skirts, with narrow tucks emphasizing the ever-narrowing waistline.

A suit in Black Watch plaid had the fullest of skirts flounced out by a stiffened petticoat, a trim little midie jacket was worn with a brown-and-white herringbone sleeveless dress and a neat brown jersey blouse, while a smart black tweed town suit fitted snugly to the waist, belled out below over a full skirt.

One of the chief claims to popularity this fashion makes is that the clothes have an air of youth and gaiety about them with their doll waists and their happily swinging skirts.

At another show featuring the corset waist, a new mushroom brown colour was to be seen, and the designer believes that this will soon become more popular than black. Here, too, much importance was given to sugared almond colours in pink, blue and yellow, and there was an evening dress in a novelty material called "crackle".

MANY of the smartest racegoing girls are adopting the fashion of keeping on their wide-brimmed straw hats by a large square handkerchief tied under the chin. The result is most effective and a grand idea for a windy day.

ON sale in the autumn will be shoes in a new double-sided leather which has a calf effect on one side and a suede on the other. It has the advantage that the leather is the same colour all through. This lends itself to texture contrast. It was shown in a

number of different styles, including a low-heeled wedge called "Follow Me" which had amusing little air-cameras on the back of the shoe. A variety of colours, some bright, some neutral, are available. Most pleasing news was the fact that there is a special cleaner which comes in paste form. So often women hesitate about buying shoes in bright or neutral shades because of the difficulty of cleaning them once they have lost their first newness.

NEW also for the autumn is the embroidery on the stiffened collars and cuffs of blouses. It strikes a charmingly feminine note.

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HOW TO KEEP YOUR HUSBAND

BY VICTOR MAMAK

The least a woman should do after marriage is to preserve her loveliness and always remain attractive to her husband. She must not let disillusion the man who was attracted by her the first time he met her, admired her, dated her, fell in love with her and eventually married her.

How well you must remember your first date with the man who is now your husband. You took every care to look charming and attractive to him then. You wore a lovely dress, your hair-do was becoming, your make-up was perfect and your perfume was alluring. You may not have been 'labelled' pretty or beautiful but you were very attractive, dainty and desirable. He admired everything about you. Every time you went out with him you made sure that he will date you again and again, and to do this you took every care (now you perhaps call it 'trouble') to make yourself attractive to him.

You actually took interest in yourself then. You were never too tired to go through your beauty routine every night and every morning to ensure that your skin was in perfect condition, that your figure had all the curves in the right places, that your hands were soft and carefully manicured. You were fastidious about your clothes. You chose your cosmetics with the intelligence of a chemist.

Your efforts bore fruit. Your boy friend was so attracted by your fresh daintiness each time he took you out that one day (or perhaps it was night) he whispered to you that he loved you—that you were the sweetest girl in the world—that you were the most beautiful thing that ever happened to him. You were thrilled by every admiring word he 'bleated' and you took more and more care to guard the illusion. Thus began the romantic courtship which eventually led you both to the altar and you became his wife and his husband "until divorce" do you part?

For the first few months of your married life, you took jolly good care to guard the romantic illusion but from then onwards you started 'slipping'. You began to shelve your glamour, your attraction and your daintiness one by one and your husband began to lose the illusion of your loveliness. A time came, and not very long after the marriage, when you ceased to be a romantic wife.

Be Honest

Be honest with yourself and ask yourself these questions: Is it not true that you have become careless about your looks? Is it not true that you put on any old dress in the house because it is "only your husband" who is there to see you? Is it not correct that you consider it a waste to use perfume in the house because it is only your husband's nose that is in the vicinity?

Can you deny that very often your husband leaves home in the morning with a picture of yourself in his mind...carelessly dressed, dishevelled hair and without any make-up? Haven't your voice which once sounded like a silver bell changed into a nerve-racking sound like a creaking falling on a tin roof? What a retreat from glamour, attraction and daintiness! Remember, beauty is a woman's natural heritage—she should preserve and cherish it. The biggest and the most important job of a woman is to always remain a thing of beauty and a "joy for ever" to her husband.

A Forced Loan?

BY G. L. SCHWARTZ

The important thing in the arrangements to "aggregate" the sterling balances is to prevent £3,500 millions of sterling at the command of people abroad from exercising a claim on current British effort. There will be universal agreement about the necessity for this. It is obvious, for example, that we could not allow the Indians to purchase in 1948 out of their accumulated sterling 12 million tons of British steel. Not a ton would be left for any other purpose.

But what about the accumulated sterling balances at home? It may surprise many people to be confronted with the argument that the same problem, arising out of the same causes—war-time accumulations—exists at home. We have tackled the external problem; we have done nothing about the internal.

Excess Demand

Our economy is in disorder. The prime cause is the inflationary pressure arising out of excess demand. We have not, on the Government's own admission, enough resources to do all that we want to do. But as long as people have excessive ready purchasing power they will overstrain the economy by attempting to make it yield more than it can yield. The community will be tempted to spend not only its current income but its pent-up savings.

Over a year ago, Mr. R. G. Hawtrey proposed the drastic remedy of a forced loan to mop up redundant money. On a given date all currency notes and bank balances would in effect be split into two. One half would remain as free money; the other half would be converted into Government scrip. In an article in the current number of "Lloyd's Bank Review," Professor J. R. Hicks comes to the same conclusion concerning the appropriateness of some form of forced loan. He will repel many readers by reviving the concept and term of a capital levy, but his proposal is in essence a segregation

Remedy For Disorder

Professor Hicks discusses the existing checks and finds them inadequate. Quantitative controls by rationing and allocation cannot hold up against the pressure. For one thing, they cannot move labour, since employers short of material or equipment still have funds to keep the labour on their books. Increased taxation would drain off purchasing power but the need for incentive requires a reduced tax burden as well as relaxation of the controls on consumption—both measures absolutely inappropriate at this juncture. Professor Hicks demonstrates what has been emphasised here, that it is the excess of purchasing power which, turning abroad for outlets, creates our balance of payments problem. The import problem is part of the larger problem.

Recently the Chancellor gave an astonishing picture of a complete divorce between happy internal and unhappy external finance. But the two are indissolubly wed and it is contemplation of the domestic scene that induces Professor Hicks to consider the expedient of a forced loan. There will be lively dispute and disagreement about the necessity or practicability of such a measure.

Highlights Of Winter Fashion

Paris, Monday. Chinese Lanterns and barrel lines are the first highlights of Paris winter fashions.

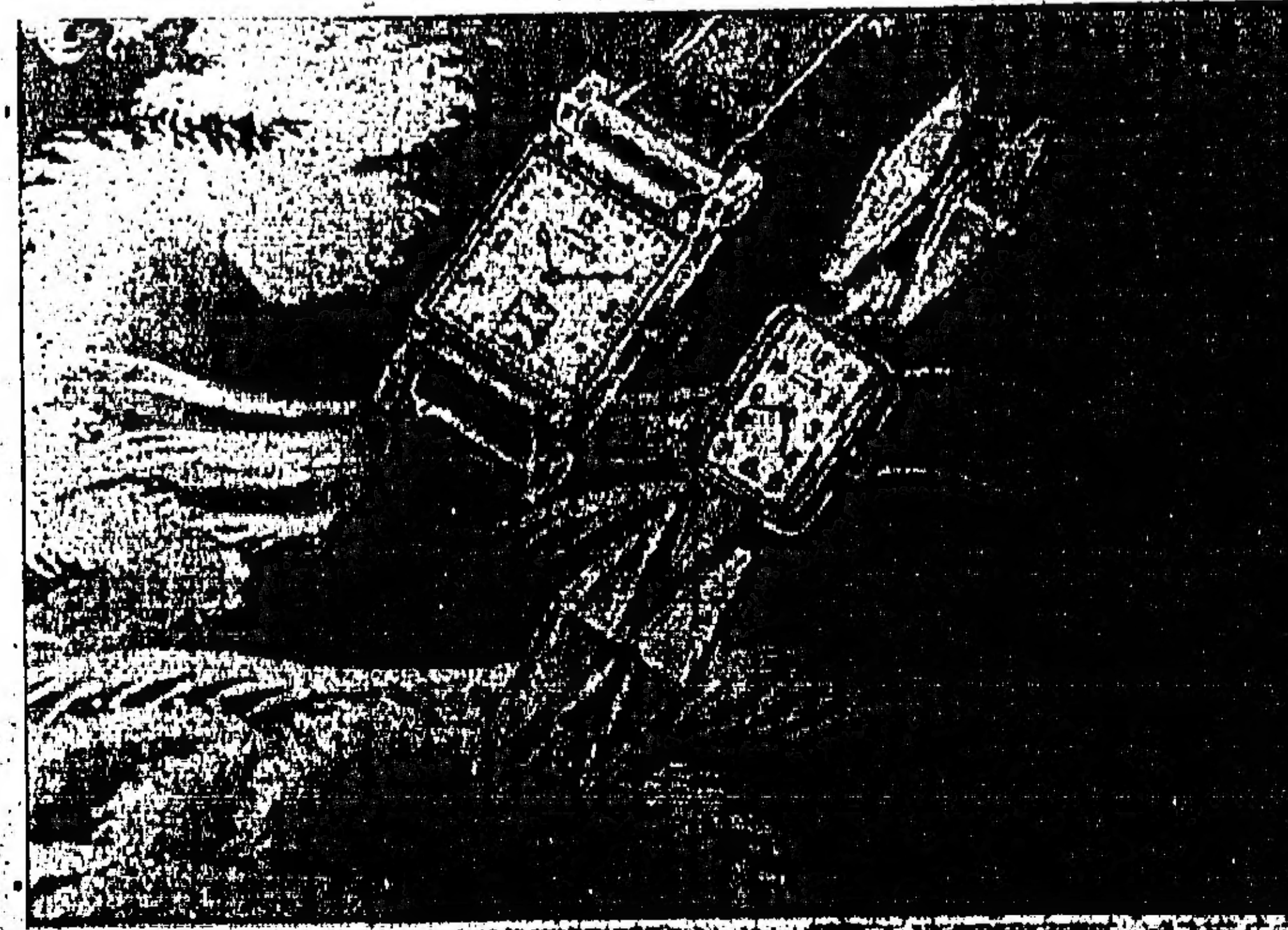
Paris designers suggest that every woman will have to lengthen her skirts by at least four inches in order to follow her new fashion. Bodices and sleeves remain simple, with high neck for day wear. Waists are more tightly nipped than ever. Interest starts from this point, with hips padded out in a Chinese lantern movement and drawn in round the legs at the base of the calves. This does not mean hobbie skirts because lantern effects are so wide midway down the skirt.

Afternoon tailor-mades are very dressy, edged with fox fur. Many evening dresses are shorter than ankle length. Some which trail the ground, even with trains, have a decided Edwardian influence.

Dresses are generally intricately cut, the 1947-48 fashion being created in the grand manner, recalling more and more the days of elegance and leisure.

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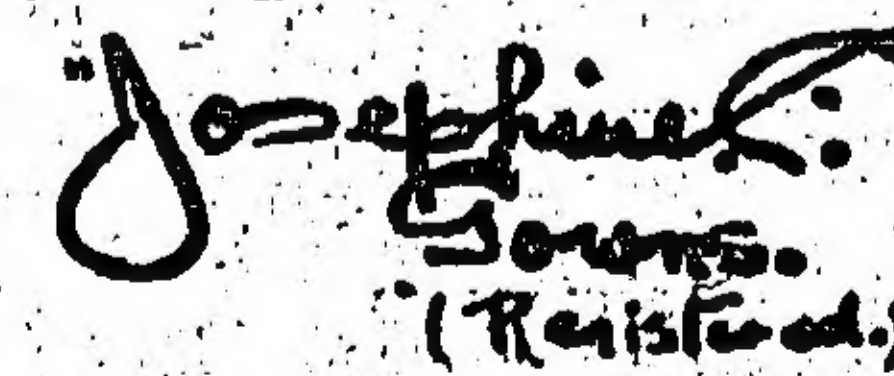
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RALLY IN GOLD SHARES

'Change Opinion Of Sterling

London, Aug. 15.
The strength of gold mining shares on the London Stock Exchange strengthened this week due to escapism from Britain's difficulties and the belief that gold mines will eventually benefit from either lower production costs or higher gold price.

If the crisis finds a fundamental deflationary solution, their costs should fall, while on the other hand if an inflationary outcome involved a higher gold price their profits would benefit still more.

On this week's rising market the Treasury has been selling some gold mining shares, which it received from the French Treasury, which the latter requisitioned from French holders to repay part of the French Government's debt to Britain.

The British Government would not deliberately devalue Sterling or raise the price of gold. On a sellers' market it would save Britain no foreign exchange on her imports and merely bring less for her exports. It Britain had the choice, it would be a far better policy to raise the Sterling rate to the United States dollar and thus get more

foreign exchange for British exports.

Open Question

The Stock Exchange feels that unless the United States Treasury supports Sterling after the loan is exhausted, Sterling depreciation and higher gold prices will simply happen, regardless of British policy. Actually, there are two other alternative possibilities and the whole question remains open, pending the outcome of next week's Washington talks.

The real change is that this is now an open question, whereas previously when Britain was unquestionably not merely determined, but also able to pay the official rate for all sterling offered in New York, this was a closed question.

Even if the United States Treasury refuses to support Sterling, a higher gold price could not be taken for granted. The British authorities would then have several choices — all doubtless unpleasant, but they would not necessarily choose this one, — *Reuter*.

Britain Bags New Market

Capetown, Aug. 16.
British car manufacturers are now outstripping their American rivals in the race to supply the South African market. Imports of popular British makes have overtaken the demand and the showrooms are now displaying cars which can be bought on the spot and driven away.

But the preference for American makes is shown by the long lists of would-be purchasers some of whom are prepared to wait 12 months for delivery.

Leading Capetown dealers say that British car imports will shortly reach saturation point if shipments are maintained at the level of the last six weeks during which imports have been the highest since the war. They all emphasise the urgent need for a reduction in prices. A popular British 10 h.p. model now costs £445 here. A De Luxe American 32 h.p. car costs £604. — *Our Own Correspondent*.

London Stock Exchange

London, Aug. 16.
Although there was less general activity in today's markets, they were nevertheless supplied with plenty of colour which was provided by the markets for South African gold shares and British Government securities.

In the first case there was fairly widespread local buying which was later supplemented by Cape support, especially for the dividend-paying shares. The West African gold share market also turned harder.

As regards British Government securities, yesterday's upward movement was resumed on a larger scale as the result of some influential support.

As a whole, the industrial share market was less active and movements slightly irregular. Oils were subdued, particularly Anglo-Iranians on vague rumours of an anti-Persian propaganda campaign.

In the commodity sections, rubbers were steadier than of late. Little developed in either the foreign railway markets. — *Reuter*.

ALEXANDRIA BULLION

Alexandria, Aug. 15.
Gold, per "dixhem" 167 piastres, Egyptian pound 400. Silver, per 1000, 1720. U.S. per ounce 350. U.S. (New York Free Market) 400. Silver (piastres) per Kilogram 840. — *Reuter*.

LONDON SILVER & GOLD

London, Aug. 16.
Silver, Spot, per 1000 ounce 30 3/4. Forward 30 1/2. Bar, Gold, Fine, ounce 172 1/2. U.S. per ounce 350. U.S. (New York Free Market) 400. — *Reuter*.

MEXICAN EXCHANGE RATES

Mexico City, Aug. 15.
T.T. Mexico City, 1000 London pounds 1999. New York 480. P.T. 400. Zurich 110. Hong Kong 1250. Bombay unquoted. — *Reuter*.

DEVALUATION OF LEI

Bucharest, Aug. 16.
The Communist-dominated Rumanian government today ordered drastic devaluation of the Lei, directing that 20,000 Lei have the value of one Leu, the official exchange unit. The new exchange rate of the Lei for the United States dollar will be fixed later. Late in the Leu has sold on the black market at 8,000,000 for one dollar. — *Associated Press*.

Australia's Trade With Britain

Canberra, Aug. 16.
A big increase in Australian trade with Britain was disclosed in a report by the Commonwealth statistician, Dr. Roland Wilson, made public today. Food constituted the bulk of exports to Britain and the main imports were textiles, metals and machinery.

Imports from the United Kingdom in the year 1946/47 were valued at £65,419,000 compared with £58,827,000 during 1945/46.

Exports to the United Kingdom were valued at £69,915,000 compared with £42,901,000 the previous year. Australia's total imports in 1946/47 were valued at £183,792,000 and exports at £246,826,000. Details of trade with the United States were not disclosed. — *Associated Press*.

ANGLO-SOVIET TRADE TALKS SNAG

London, Aug. 15.
Revival this morning by the Washington correspondent of the Communist "Daily Worker" of reports that the United States has emphatically warned Britain against conclusion of a trade agreement with Soviet is noted in British official quarters as being symptomatic of Soviet unwillingness to resume negotiations. Nearly a week ago, Mr. Harold Wilson, Parliamentary Secretary for Overseas Trade, in a statement on a fresh British initiative to restart the talks with Moscow, said:

"There has been no pressure of any sort from the United States in this connection."

This, it is authoritatively stated, is still true. Unfortunately, there is no indication of any Soviet move to make good the default which occurred on the Aug. 1 instalment of the repayment of the 1941 credit to the Soviet Union, which Britain now regards as a condition to restarting discussions.

Today's edition of Pravda again maintained that the reason for the failure of the trade talks was Britain's inability to guarantee deliveries not as the British negotiators state, the financial aspects of the transaction now backed up by the Soviet debt default.

These circumstances have created an impression in London that prospects of resumption of the talks in the near future are remote.

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Court Gives Verdict On Who Owned A Building Acquired During Jap. Rule

A dispute over the ownership of a house, arising out of events which took place during the time of the Japanese Occupation, had a sequel yesterday, when Mr. Justice E. H. Williams (Puisne Judge) gave judgment, with costs, in favour of Chan Kam-chuen.

Chan Kam-chuen sought a declaration that he is the sole beneficial owner of No. 9 Reclamation Street, standing on Kowloon Inland Lot No. 279.

Chan was represented by Mr. Leo d'Almeida a Castro, instructed by Mr. E.S.C. Brookes. Leung Ho Wai 'Chun' (defendant) was represented by Mr. H.A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr. P.L. Lam.

In the course of a lengthy written judgment, Mr. Justice Williams said:—
"The case arose out of events during the time of the Japanese occupation of Hong Kong."

"Plaintiff is a ship building contractor and defendant is a widow."
"In 1923, Leung Yun Tai and his wife, Leung Lau Shi, purchased the property in question as joint tenants for the residue of the term of years created by the Crown Lease."

"He died in 1938 and the property became vested in the widow as sole beneficial owner; she died intestate in 1942."
"At her death, there was living defendant who is the daughter-in-law of Leung Lau Shi, defendant's son who is Leung Chak Yu, now about 13 years of age, one Leung Fan Shi, who was a concubine of Leung Yun Tai. They lived together."

"There was at least one other concubine alive; there may have been other relatives also, but none of these are concerned with the transactions which followed."

Jap Order

"About Oct. 26, 1943, Leung Fan Shi applied to the Japanese House Registration Office for and obtained registration of ownership of the property."
"There is no evidence that the Registration Office made any inquiries as to her right to be so registered before registering her nor whether it made any inquiries when it subsequently issued a certificate of transfer of ownership to defendant in Apr. 1945."

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"Early in 1945 plaintiff was induced by a broker Ho Fung' (who was not called as a witness) to Leung Fan Shi and defendant in connection with the sale of the property."

"Defendant claims that her role in the matter thereafter was entirely a passive one but this is denied by the plaintiff."

"Plaintiff at the time desired to buy a house."

"On Jan. 12, the parties visited the office of two different lawyers and received the proper advice that letters of administration should first be taken out before proceeding further."

"It was in consequence known to the plaintiff as well as to defendant and Leung Fan Shi that the heir-at-law was the grand-son, Leung Chak Yu."

"The proper person to make applications for letters of administration was defendant, the son being a minor."

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Swimming

SAUNDERS TOPS RECORD

Outstanding performances in the inter-club swimming gala between V.R.C. and Eastern at Murray Road last night were those of G. Saunders, who bettered the Colony record for the 50 yards free style by 1/5 of a second, and Miss Shauna Anderson, who swam the 100 yards in 70 seconds.

The Colony record for the 50 yards, a 24.3.5 secs held by N. N. N. Victoria Recreation Club easily beat Eastern by 22 points to 6.

Eastern's outstanding swimmers were T. Kew and William Kew.

In the water polo game which concluded the evening sports Eastern were beaten by three clear goals in one of the best games seen this season.

The prizes were presented by Miss Celeste Gutierrez.

The results were:—
Men's inter-club 100 yards: 1. W. Lawrence (V.R.C.); 2. William Kew (E.A.A.); 3. J. Yvanovich (V.R.C.). Time: 20.2/5 secs.

Women's 50 yards handicap: 1. Miss S. Anderson (V.R.C.); 2. Miss S. Anderson (V.R.C.). Time: 35 secs.

Men's 50 yards free-style: 1. C. Silva-Netto; 2. A. Vieira. Time: 28.3/5 secs.

Men's inter-club 3x50 yards medley relay: 1. V.R.C. 1 min. 29 secs.; 2. Eastern 1 min. 33.3/5 secs.

Boys' 50 yards free-style handicap: 1. A. Remedios; 2. R. Silva. Time: 32 secs.

Women's 25 yards free-style: 1. Jean Reid; 2. Lesley Collier. Time: 10.2/5 secs.

Men's 50 yards breast-stroke: 1. R. Souza; 2. J. Leurs. Time: 32 secs.

Men's inter-club 100 yards back-stroke: 1. Tony Lopez (V.R.C.); 2. A. K. Rumbajan (V.R.C.). Time: 24.2/5 secs.

Men's inter-club 50 yards free-style: 1. G. Saunders (V.R.C.); 2. Timmy Kew (E.A.A.); 3. H. Bollerand (V.R.C.). Time: 24.2/5 secs.

Men's 50 yards back-stroke (handicap): 1. H. Reynolds and T. Bayok, dead heat; 2. C. Gu-

Up to tea today in the Fifth test between England and South Africa, England had lost four wickets for 204 runs in the first innings.

About 25,000 saw England give a poor display of batting on a perfect run-getting wicket, which produced 88 for two after two hours of stolid batting before lunch.

The teams are:—
England: Norman Yardley (Yorkshire); Kenneth Cranston (Lancashire); Len Hutton (Yorkshire); Douglas Wright (Kent); Cyril Washbrook (Lancashire); Denis Compton (Middlesex); Godfrey Evans (Kent); Cliff Gladwin (Derbyshire); Jack Robertson (Middlesex); Reg. Howarth (Worcestershire); W. G. Pym (Derbyshire); Twelfth man—Denis Brookes (Northamptonshire).

South Africa: Allan Melville; Dudley Nourse; Bruce Mitchell; Denis Dyer; Ken Viljoen; Osile Dawson; George Pullerton; Athol Rowan; Norman Mann; Lindsay Tuckett; Ian Smith.

The South African's two victims were Washbrook, dismissed leg-before for 32, and Robertson, who scored only four runs in his first Test before giving a simple catch to mid-off.

The South Africans should have done even better, for Washbrook and Hutton were both missed in Rowan's left trap.

Although the bowling of Dawson, Tuckett, Rowan and Mann was accurate, the funeral pace of the searing was not justified.

The first half hour yielded 13 runs, and the total crawled to 34 in the first hour.

Washbrook got the first boundary of the match after 40 minutes. Washbrook was leg-before at 83 in attempting a defensive stroke, and Robertson, after shaping confidently, lobbed a gentle catch to Melville.

After Tea
Len Hutton (83) and Denis Compton (53) with a third wicket partnership of 98—in a hundred minutes improved the scoring rate, and England's total was 204 for four at the tea interval.

The game underwent a quick change when both Compton and Hutton were dismissed at 178 in successive overs.

Hutton, after batting two hours

London, Aug. 16.
The following are the results of the Sunday Football League matches played today:

A DIVISION
Aberdeen 2 Motherwell 0
Queen of the S. 8 St. Mirren 1
Morton 1 Falkirk 2
Partick Th. 3 Queen's Park 1
Celtic 1 Dundee 1
Third Lanark 1 Rangers 3
Aberdonians 3 Hearts 2
Hibernians 5 Clyde 1

B DIVISION
Hamilton 3 Dunfermline 2
Raith Rovers 4 Alloa Ath. 2
Cowdenbeath 2 Albion Rovers 3
Dundee United 2 Leith Ath. 2
Aberbroath 1 Dumbarton 3
Stirling Albion 3 St. Johnstone 0
Kilmarnock 0 East Fife 0
Stirling Albion 1 Ayr United 3

Men's inter-club 220 yards breast-stroke: 1. J. Yvanovich (V.R.C.); 2. J. Wai Ming (E.A.A.); 3. Kam Man Sang (E.A.A.). Time: 3 mins. 11.2/5 secs.

Women's 100 yards free-style (handicap): 1. Miss S. Anderson; 2. Miss H. Anderson. Time: 70 secs.

Men's 50 yards free-style (handicap): 1. Pat George; 2. T. Bayok. Time: 28 secs.

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The Service Side



Lieutenant Mounibatten gets on with his job. He is scheduled to marry Princess Elizabeth on November 20 but in the meantime he has a Training Centre Class to run.—A.P. Photo.

Kent Topples Middlesex In County Cricket

London, Aug. 15.
Kent today gained their expected victory over Middlesex, but the victory left the position at the top of the County Cricket Championship table unchanged, with Gloucestershire leading Middlesex by four points. The approaching clash between the two top teams is assuming major importance.

Kent have climbed to third place above Derbyshire, who drew with Yorkshire but are too far behind to threaten the leaders.

In their match at Cheltenham, the South Africans under beat Gloucestershire by 133 runs. Major honours for the victory belong to Athol Rowan—who

lighted and turned the ball so well on a wicket that assisted this type of bowling that he took seven wickets for 47 runs, his best bowling performance of the tour.

Gloucestershire with an overnight score of 28, had all day, with all wickets standing, to get 261 runs required for victory, but three quick wickets—two clean bowled before 50

was on the board—put the county with their backs to the wall, and they were never able to master Rowan's spinners.

Only Barnett (41) and Neale (43) offered real resistance, and with half the side out for 129, Gloucestershire's leaders in the County Championship—were headed for defeat.

Seven wickets were down at lunch-time, and thirteen minutes after resumption the other three had gone and the tourists had won.

The Results
Results of Colony matches ended today.

At Clacton—Lancashire beat Essex by an innings and 57 runs. Lancashire 516; Essex 49 and 244 (Insole not out 109; Cranston, right arm medium, 6 for 99).

At Coventry—Surrey beat Warwickshire by six wickets. Warwickshire 443 and 111 (A.V. Bedder, right arm fast medium, 5 for 51; Surrey 344 and 211 for 4 (Flashlock not out 96)).

At Weston—super—Mare—Somerset beat Hampshire by nine wickets. Hampshire 280 and 274 (McCorkell 88, Bailey 77; Lawrence, right arm googly, 6 for 53); Somerset 505 for 7 declared and 51 for 1.

At Dudley—Worcestershire beat Nottinghamshire match drawn. Worcestershire 486 and 155 for 4; Nottinghamshire 388 (Hardstaff 202; Howarth, left arm slow spin, 5 for 60).

At Loughborough—Kent beat Middlesex by 78 runs. Kent 301 and 324 for 8 declared (Anson 51, Evans 56); Middlesex 229 and 321 (Denis Compton 103, Mann 57; Davies, right arm slow off-break, 4 for 58).

At Scarborough—Yorkshire beat Derbyshire match drawn. Derbyshire 309 and 276 for 4 (Elliot 71, Smith 66, Worthington not out 65); Yorkshire 522 (Rhodes, right arm fast, 8 for 102).

At Hastings—Sussex-Leicestershire match drawn. Sussex 422 and 201 for 5 (John Langridge not out 121, Parks 55); Leicestershire 547 (Tomkin 108).—Reuter.

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H.K. Smuggling Pact Denied

A press agency message from Nanking claiming that an agreement had been concluded between the Chinese Maritime Customs and the Hong Kong Government for the stationing of Chinese Customs inspectors in Hong Kong in an attempt to curb smuggling into and from China, was officially described here yesterday as premature.

Negotiations between the Hong Kong and Chinese authorities were said to have reached an "advanced stage" and probably would not be concluded for a fortnight.

Government is maintaining strictest secrecy regarding the plans being discussed for co-operating with the Chinese Government.

The Chinese Government at present have a Customs unit at the Kowloon Railway Station to check on passengers attempting to take contraband goods by train into China. The Chinese Customs personnel at Kai Tak were withdrawn a few months ago.

Price Of Bacon

Ceiling prices for apples and fresh Australian bacon have been lowered, under an Order issued yesterday by the Director of the S.T. and I.

Apples 30 cents per apple (45 cents) or \$1.10 per lb. (\$1.50).

Fresh Australian Bacon:—
Middle Whole \$2.40 per lb. (\$2.50).

Middle Slices \$2.60 per lb. (\$2.70).

Shoulder Whole \$2.00 per lb. (\$2.10).

Shoulder Back Cut \$2.15 per lb. (\$2.25).

Austin Bowls

The Craignower Cricket Club scored a decisive victory over the Prison Officers' Club in the Semi-finals of the Bowls Knock-Out Competition played at Austin Road yesterday.

A very game fight was put up by both Jillett and Tommy Pili's rinks, but Bradbury of the C.C.C. was much too good for McCutcheon.

Down by seven shots at the 20th end, Jillett chalked up a four on the last end, while Pili's last three singletons narrowed Omar's victory to five shots.

Bradbury's merry players practically ran away with their game against McCutcheon, scoring a seven at the 4th, a six at the 11th, and a four at the 16th and 19th, heads, to emerge victors by 30 shots to 15.

Craignower, by their showing yesterday, should acquire themselves very credibly in the final game against either Revere or Kowloon Bowling Green Club.

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BRITAIN TURNS DOWN U.S. OFFER OF STEEL SUPPLY

Duesseldorf, Aug. 15.
Britain has turned down a United States offer of 600,000 tons of steel to help in facilitating full production in the Ruhr coal mines.

The offer was made by Major General William H. Draper, economic adviser to General Lucius D. Clay, Commander of the United States Occupation Zone, before he left for the Ruhr talks in Washington.

It provided for deliveries at the rate of 100,000 tons monthly and though the price was not disclosed, it was understood that what the United States asked for amounted to a controlling voice in political problems of the Ruhr coal mines.

The offer was rejected for two reasons, informants here said:—
1. The steel the United States proposed for shipment consisted of ingots which would have to be processed in the Ruhr mills—ill-equipped to handle such work at present—and British officials were afraid that much of the steel would find its way to the black market.

2. Ruhr miners, after years of domination by the United Steel Works and other great trusts, were reported to favour nationalisation, and acceptance of the offer would convince them that they were being sold out to United States vested interests.

The informants said, however, that Britain had made a counter-proposal for the shipment of 450,000 tons of rolled steel products which could be stocked and issued for urgent requirements without passing through the complex machinery of the German steel industry.—Reuter.

Japan Law
In the present case, the Japanese Court appointed as administrator the very person whom this Court would have appointed.

The Japanese Court did not require her to enter into any bond which would have undoubtedly been required had she now been given the grant.

I do not, however, consider that the failure to follow in full detail the exact procedure of our Court should nullify the grant by the Japanese Court.

I therefore hold that here the grant by the Japanese Court is one which this Court should hold as valid.

"I now come to deal with the main defence namely, that the acts done by defendant prior to the grant not having been done for the benefit of the estate are invalid," Justice Williams went on.

"The facts, as I find them, are that defendant, at a time when her family (herself, her son and her mother-in-law who was living with her) were in need of money to maintain themselves, entered into the agreement with the object of getting the necessary funds."

"It was an act done for the benefit of the family."

"It was obviously to their advantage that they should be able to keep themselves alive with the help of the money obtained, rather than that they should suffer even greater hardships though in the meantime retaining possession of the property."

"I hold, therefore, that the transaction comes within the meaning of the words 'for the benefit of the estate.'"

"The plaintiff has asked for a declaration that he is sole beneficial owner of the property. (a) in paragraph 15 of the Statement of Claim—he has also asked for other relief."

"As these latter may involve application for exemption to the Governor under the Mortuarium Proclamation, it was agreed at the hearing that no order should be asked for regarding them."

"Accordingly, plaintiff will have the declaration for which he has asked in Clause (a). Liberty to apply."

Chinese State Council Plumps For Austerity

Nanking, Aug. 16.
The State Council yesterday approved a set of austerity measures designed to cut down public and private expenditures to conserve national financial resources. The measures banned all commercialized ballrooms.

All public amusements are required to be closed at 11 p.m. nightly, the authorities enjoined, to promote sports activities, concerts, lectures and educational films as alternatives.

Two months after the measures became effective the Police will be asked to raid markets selling goods imported against government regulations which, observers believed, would cause a large-scale black market now restricted mostly to gold and foreign currency.

The measures halted unnecessary reconstruction projects, restricted Army personnel from doing household errands for government officials, provided for retrenchment of government staff, limited office boys to one to every four staff members, curtailed officials' entertainment, ordered military police uniforms to be made with material suitable for both winter and summer, restricted the use of newspaper, abolished New Year's gifts and extended Summer Time.

Cabarets Alarmed
The City's Cabaret Guild, alarmed at the growing tendency of the ban on "commer-

cial dancing" throughout the nation, today appointed a representative to call on the city authorities for modified enforcement of the movement.

Offering to pay higher taxes, the Guild said it is impossible to convert cabarets into stores and turn cabaret entertainers into productive workers. The Guild also pointed out that many persons are depending for their livelihood on cabarets.

The Government is resolved to ask the people to use Chinese native goods wherever possible and to voluntarily dispense with the customary exchange of gift on festive occasions.

Army First
Reviving the wartime slogan "The Army first," the State Council adopted without a dissenting vote, a rigid economy programme designed to conserve the nation's manpower and material resources for the Nationalist armies in their fight against the Communists.

Several members of the State Council, asked by the Associated Press to explain the regulation requiring Chinese people to use Chinese goods, said it was not intended as a boycott against foreign goods but was rather a measure aimed at stimulating domestic production.

"This thrift programme, originally drafted by the National Economic Council, formed a part of Government's general mobilization order which called for nationwide support for the Government campaign to suppress the Communist 'rebellion'."—United Press and Associated Press.

A Swiss Miss

Zurich, Aug. 16.
British-made RAF rubber dinghies, which saved the lives of many Allied airmen during the war, have been banned by the Swiss police from lakes and rivers, on the ground that they are "unsafe."

The dinghies, which are selling in Swiss shops at £50 each, have been extremely popular among water-sports fans, and brought British exports many thousands of pounds sterling.

The police allege that the boats are unmanoeuvrable and that the covering is too thin.

—Our Own Correspondent.

Move To Form Dog Lovers Club

Endeavours are being made by local Dog Lovers to inaugurate a Kennel Club in Hong Kong.

The Prime mover is Mr. "Pip" Howell, M.B.E., an Associate Member of the Kennel Club, London, who is well known as a dog enthusiast and was Secretary of the "China Kennel Club" in Shanghai.

In Hong Kong he helped to promote two dog shows shortly before the war. It is to be hoped that a good number of interested persons will respond so that immediate action can be taken to get the Club into being.

All persons are eligible for membership who own dogs, or are prepared to assist in furthering the objects of the Club, which are briefly:—

A. All matters tending to promote a wider interest in dogs to endeavour to improve the quality of all breeds to encourage and assist in the importation of thoroughbred dogs.

B. To classify breeds (which in the main must be as recognised by ruling kennel authorities in other countries).

C. To affiliate with official representative Kennel Clubs such as the Kennel Club, London.

D. To organize, conduct and supervise local dog shows to be held under the rules similar to those of the old China Kennel Club in Shanghai.

E. To issue the Club's own Register of pedigrees, transfers of ownership, award prize certificates and publish an annual "Year Book" containing information of interest to dog lovers generally, and giving such information as the breeders of thoroughbred puppies, owners of thoroughbred dogs for stud, new importations, registered Kennel names etc.

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